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Staff Health Screening and Sick Call Service



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Introduction

This brochure is designed to provide information to staff members of The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics about the Staff Health Screening and Sick Call Service. For your convenience, it is recommended that you keep this brochure as a reference to assist in answering questions about the Staff Screening and Sick Call Service.

Purpose

The purpose of The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics' Staff Screening and Sick Call Service is to provide employment and periodic health screening examinations to staff members as required by University Hospitals' policy. These examinations are designed to detect and prevent communicable diseases which may be a threat to patients, other hospital staff, or the staff members themselves. Treatment, referral to other clinical services, and necessary followup care may also be recommended.

History

The Staff Screening and Sick Call Service was initiated in November, 1977 to provide ongoing detection, surveillance, and prevention of communicable diseases for University Hospitals staff members. Each year, the Staff Screening Service provides over 10,000 visits for employment and periodic health screening, tuberculosis skin testing, and sick call services. The Staff Screening Service includes a staff physician from the Department of Internal Medicine, two physician assistants, two clerical staff, and one licensed practical nurse.

Location

The clinic is located on the first floor of Boyd Tower in Internal Medicine Clinic D. The telephone number is 356-3631.

Access

Staff members who need to be seen in the Staff Screening Service must first obtain a green addressograph card from South Wing Registration. The card should be brought with the staff member to Clinic D. After your visit in the Staff Screening Service, the card should be kept for use at subsequent visits.

Hours

Employment and periodic physical examinations: These examinations are provided by appointment only, Monday through Friday between 10:00 a.m. and noon, and between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. The employment and periodic physical examinations are limited, and are not designed to be comprehensive.

Tuberculosis (TB) screening: Staff members who are being seen for annual TB screening should come to the Staff Screening Service Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sick call: A limited sick call service is available Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. in the Staff Screening Service. Staff members who need to be seen in the Sick Call Clinic must report to the Staff Screening Service between 8:00 a.m. and 8:45 a.m., bringing with them their green addressograph card. If a staff member does not have a green addressograph card, one may be obtained from South Wing Registration.

Staff members who may have a communicable illness should call for consultation with the Staff Screening Service between 8:00 a.m. and noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. If at all possible, staff members should consult with the Staff Screening Service prior to beginning work. The following illnesses are examples of problems which could be significant in a hospital setting:

- herpesvirus (simplex, chicken pox, shingles, cold sores or fever blisters)
- acute diarrhea
- conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)
- possible parenteral exposure to hepatitis (needlesticks). ALL incidents must be reported to your supervisor
- tuberculosis exposure
- sore throat

Additional Services

- common immunizations
- health education materials
- information on communicable diseases and exposure
- information on preventive medicine

Costs

There is no charge for the employment and periodic physical examinations. If your care requires additional diagnostic tests, treatment, followup care or referral to a clinical department or a personal physician, then the staff member is personally responsible for the costs of these services.

SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE STAFF SCREENING AND SICK CALL SERVICE, PLEASE CONTACT THE STAFF SCREENING CLINIC AT 356-3631. A benefit for our Staff Members from The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics



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