## TEMPORARY MANIILAQ HEALTH CENTER GUIDELINES AS OF MARCH 18, 2020



Maniilaq Health Center cares about the well-being and safety of our patients, their families and loved ones. Please help us prevent infection by observing the following Facility Guidelines:

We are asking people to stay home, unless their symptoms are severe enough to warrant a visit to the hospital or clinic. If patients coming to MHC have a fever, cough or respiratory illness they will be given a mask to wear in order to reduce other peoples' exposure to sickness. Most common colds and flu viruses can and should be treated from home and village. To limit exposure to other illnesses at the hospital and in outpatient clinics people who are feeling sick are encouraged to treat at home. For those needing advice or medical consultation at home care, please call the Maniilag Hotline at 833-442-7015.

- People who have had contact with someone ill with the coronavirus or have traveled to a place where the virus is prevalent and are experiencing symptoms of the coronavirus (fever, coughing, and shortness of breath) are requested to call ahead before coming into the hospital to be treated. They should call the Hotline at 833-442-7015 so that Maniilaq staff can be prepared for their arrival and help limit exposure to the rest of the facility.
- Access to the main hospital and outpatient clinic will only be available at the hospital main entrance and the Emergency Department.
- In order to facilitate the safety of patients, their families and caregivers Maniilaq Health Center is suspending community dining, and vendor visitation.
- Patient visitors are identified and authorized and there are no visitors under the age of 17 years of age allowed. Exceptions will be considered in special circumstances.

These measures are being implemented to protect our communities and all patients and their families. We appreciate the local businesses and community's understanding of the guidelines in our effort to mitigate the impacts of this virus.

We will keep you updated as things change. We appreciate your patience in this matter and want you to know that we are here for you!

-Maniilaq Association Leadership