SARS Reporting Criteria
New York State Department of Health

Medical Providers should report by telephone any patient meeting the SARS clinical and epidemiologic criteria.$^{1,2}$

Local Health Department should immediately notify NYSDOH

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$^{1}$ No SARS activity worldwide, providers should immediately report to the local health department:
- a. Any patient that meets the following reporting criteria:
  - Clinical Criteria:
    - Severe respiratory illness characterized by CXR confirmed pneumonia or acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) of unknown etiology and hospitalization
  - Epidemiologic Criteria:
    - Employment in an occupation associated with a risk for SARS-CoV exposure (e.g., healthcare worker with direct patient contact; worker in a laboratory that contains live SARS-CoV) OR
    - Travel within 10 days of onset of illness to mainland China, Hong Kong or Taiwan OR
    - Within 10 days of onset of illness, contact with ill person(s) who recently traveled to mainland China, Hong Kong or Taiwan OR
    - Within 10 days of onset of illness, close contact of person(s) with CXR confirmed pneumonia without an alternative diagnosis

$^{2}$ Presence of SARS activity worldwide, providers should report to the local health department:
- a. Any patient meeting the criteria list for no SARS activity OR
- b. Any patient meeting the following clinical and epidemiologic criteria:
  - Clinical Criteria (at least one of the following):
    - Fever OR
    - Lower respiratory infection (e.g., cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing)
  - Epidemiologic criteria (at least one of the following)
    - Travel within 10 days of illness onset to an area with recent local SARS transmission OR
    - Close contact within 10 days of illness onset with a person with known or suspected SARS infection.