



## PHG COVID-19 Update: August 4

Dear Valued Providers

We want to be a resource to our Premier Health Group Independent providers. As our health care system begins to stabilize, we will provide clinical and operational updates as they become available to continue and provide support to providers.

In addition, we have created a resources page on the [PHG website](#).

Please feel free to contact us directly at **(937) 499-7441** with any questions you might have or if you would like to speak with our Medical Director, Scott Swabb, DO.

Yours sincerely,

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## Post COVID Clinics

Due to lack of patient volume, Premier Health has closed the two COVID follow-up clinics, located at the Miamisburg and Vandalia urgent care locations. If demand for these clinics resurface, we will look at opening these clinics for the community.

### Additional Patient Questions Required when placing COVID-19 Testing Orders through Epic

The CDC will require providers to ask patients some additional questions when ordering all COVID-19 tests, including viral and antibody tests. Providers will soon be required to ask several standard “ask on order entry” questions at the time a COVID-19 test order is placed.

On **Monday, August 3**, the first three questions will be in Epic. When ordering a COVID test, the three new questions providers will need to ask patients are:

1. Does the patient currently work in a health care setting with direct patient contact?
2. Is the patient currently pregnant?
3. Does the patient currently reside in a group care setting?

Questions one and three may already be populated in Epic when the patient goes through registration. Providers will need to restart Epic for the changes to take effect.



## COVID-19 and Return to Sports for Students

[Please read the memo](#) that outlines the process for returning athletes to sports / activity following a positive COVID-19 test. These are relatively new guidelines that have been put forward globally by sports medicine cardiologist and adopted by our sports medicine board of medical directors. The recommendation from physicians should be once they have cleared athletes to return to activity the athletes should work with their athletic trainers or coaches to complete the five-day RTP protocol outlined in the document.