**PPNO List Serv Query Summary Template**

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We are re-introducing PFTs and are wondering if other hospitals are treating this as an AGMP?

Abbreviated Question (as it will appear on search results page)

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| **Brian Mulvihill, BPHE, RRT**  **Charge Respiratory Therapist-Quinte Healthcare**  **265 Dundas St. East**  **Belleville, On**  **K8N 5A9**  **(613) 969-7400 ext. 2746** | We are not treating routine PFT testing as an AGMP. We are donning contact droplet PPE ( level 2 mask,  face shield or goggles and a gown).  We are not doing Methacholine challenge testing at the moment.  We have also reduced the number of test we are doing to allow time for the room to have air exchanges. Based on the ventilation of our room we are leaving the room sit for 40 minutes after the  patient leaves.  We are calling and screening patients 48hrs prior to their appointment for COVID. If they are symptomatic or suspected we would not do their test and instruct them to make an appointment at an assessment center to be swabbed . Once they receive their results  they are to call and schedule an appointment. |  |
| Beth Davis RN, BSN, MSN  Director of Professional Practice  Northumberland Hills Hospital  1000 DePalma Drive  Cobourg ON K9A 5W6  Office: 905-372-6811 Ext. 3030  Cell: 905-373-2898  [bdavis@nhh.ca](mailto:bdavis@nhh.ca) | We used the attached document recommendations for resumption of services. While PFT is not really considered an AGMP we are treating it as a possibility to be on the safe side for staff, and due to the exertion of exhalation during the testing. |  |
| Corinne Savignac, R.N., BScN,  Nurse Clinician General Internal Medicine  705-523-7100  Extension 3315  **Health Sciences North | Horizon Santé-Nord**  41 Ramsey Lake Road  Sudbury, Ontario P3E 5J1   E-mail: [csavignac@hsnsudbury.ca](mailto:csavignac@hsnsudbury.ca)  http://intranet/portal/Portals/35/HSN_logo.jpg | We are treating PFTs and Bikes as AGMPs – we will be treating Methacholines as AGMPs when we resume. |  |
| Melissa Pelletier, RN, BScN, CNeph(C)  Clinical Educator  Renal Program  Professional Practice  Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre  201 Georgian Drive  Barrie, Ontario  L4M 6M2  [pelletierm@rvh.on.ca](mailto:pelletierm@rvh.on.ca)  Tel:  705-728-9090 ext 47712  Cell: 705-229-9846  [www.rvh.on.ca](http://www.rvh.on.ca/)  *Inspiring care...* | *RVH chose to continue PFT testing throughout the pandemic, but at reduced levels for urgent referrals only.  We are not currently considering PFTs to be an AGMP, with the exception of the methacholine challenge.  The methacholine challenge is an AGMP and are not offering this test at the moment, and we have not yet developed a plan to safety offer it.* |  |
| Amer Syed  Manager & Professional Practice Leader  Respiratory Therapy  Scarborough Health network  Email: [asyed@shn.ca](mailto:asyed@shn.ca)  Office: (416) 284-8131x4113  Cell: (647) 284-6898 | We are currently in the planning phase of re-opening our labs.  Based on guidance from our infection control and the provincial infection control body, PFT is not considered an AGMP.  However recommendations from the Canadian Thoracic Society and the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists recommends negative flow/pressure/HEPA and use of N95 because PFT procedures have a high chance of aerosolization.  We continue to work with our infection control to understand the most safe way to open the lab.  Nothing finalized. |  |
| **Tasha Vandervliet, RN, BScN**  Nurse Educator  Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance  46 General Hospital Drive  Stratford, Ontario  N5A 2Y6  519-272-8210 ext. 2327  [tasha.vandervliet@hpha.ca](mailto:tasha.vandervliet@hpha.ca) | Our RTs have informed me that they do consider this an AGMP per direction from their governing board and the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists (CSRT). |  |
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