



CGMH Preoperative COVID-19 Pandemic Measures
Routine COVID-19 testing and Isolation for Surgical Patients

Who: Patients scheduled for surgical procedures at CGMH (including endoscopy and cardioversion)

What: Routine COVID-19 testing prior to procedures at CGMH – all patients except colonoscopy
Routine Preoperative Self-Isolation – all patients

Why: To reduce the risk of complications related to COVID-19 infection
To reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 to other patients and hospital staff

How: Patients should:

- Isolate themselves for 14 days prior to their procedure to avoid contracting COVID-19.
For more urgent surgery, must begin at the time the OR booking is made.

Follow the 'CGMH Preoperative Self-Isolation' instructions

- Arrange COVID-19 testing to be done 4 days prior to your procedure.

Self-refer to the Georgian Bay Family Health Team COVID Assessment Centre (CAC)

- Call (705) 444-5885** between 9am and 5 pm Mon -Fri only
OR book online at <http://gbfht.ca/cac>
- Advise you are having surgery at CGMH including the date
Note: If surgery Wednesday test Friday prior
If surgery Thursday test Monday prior

You will be contacted by CGMH prior to your procedure to ensure you are well
You will be also be screened for symptoms and vital signs (fever) on the day of surgery

Important: If you become ill with **fever, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, runny nose, muscle aches, loss of taste or smell, vomiting or diarrhea**

OR

you **have close contact with a known or suspected case of COVID-19**

please contact CGMH at (705)444-8656 as soon as possible

Your assistance with these necessary steps is appreciated so that we can care for you safely.

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