During a pandemic, all patients must be screened for the following. Screening shall occur from a safe distance of six (6) feet.

**Does the patient have s/s of Influenza Like Illness (ILI)?**
- Fever greater than 100.4°F or subjective temperature if thermometer is not available.
- Sore throat
- Nasal congestion
- Post-nasal drainage
- Shortness of breath
- s/s of gastrointestinal distress

Follow standard ALS & BLS EMS treatment protocols

**DON PPE BEFORE INITIATING CLOSE CONTACT* WITH THE PATIENT**
- N-95 or surgical mask, gloves, gown, and eye protection.
- Limit close contact to as few providers as possible. Other personnel should remain six (6) feet away.
- Only providers wearing proper PPE should perform patient assessment and treatment.

*Close contact means being within six (6) feet of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time.

**Perform an Assessment**
- Age > 65
- Temperature > 100.4°F
- Respirations > 22
- SpO2 < 95%
- Heart Rate > 110
- Systolic BP < 100 mmHg
- Altered mental status

* Refer to BLS reference materials for pediatric vital signs

Follow standard BLS & ALS EMS treatment protocols.

**Consult with medical control for any difficult or unclear situations.**

If indicated, transport patient in accordance with EMS agency treatment protocol and transport plan.

**Obtain Patient Medical History**
- Is the patient a diabetic?
- Is the patient pregnant?
- Does the patient have a cardiovascular or pulmonary disease?
- Is the patient immunocompromised (HIV, chemotherapy, etc.)?

Yes

This patient may meet criteria for non-transport and/or treatment in place. Contact Medical Control to discuss next steps. If no transport, provide the patient with the NDDoH COVID-19 Public Hotline Number 1-866-207-2880 and the NDDoH EMS COVID-19 Patient Information Handout.