

May 4, 2020

COVID-19 Update-Gradual Reintroduction of Additional Imaging Services at Mayfair Diagnostics Regina Clinic

Dear Colleagues,

Further to our update on April 17 2020, this communication is intended to provide new information to our service provision for your patients coming to the Mayfair Regina clinic. These changes are aligned with the announcement made by Premier Scott Moe and Saskatchewan's Chief Medical Health Officer, Dr. Saqib Shahab on April 23, 2020 regarding phase 1 of the Re-open Saskatchewan Plan that includes a gradual and measured reintroduction of non-essential medical services at community clinics.

Effective today, Monday May 4, 2020:

- Mayfair will be offering appointments for diagnostic imaging of both essential and elective medical indications.
- X-ray, ultrasound services, private and public MRI services will be available by appointment only.
- Walk-in X-ray will remain unavailable until further notice.
- Mayfair services will be offered Monday – Friday, 08.00 to 17.00.

As we gradually re-introduce services available at the clinic, our enhanced health and safety protocols and use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will remain in use to ensure the safety of your patients. Furthermore, we will continue to book patient appointments according to the following criteria:

- Between 08.00- 13.00, appointments will be reserved for patients who are 'green' on our screening process.
- Between 13.00- 15.00, appointments will be reserved for patients who screen 'yellow' or 'orange' for some COVID-19 symptoms.
- Between 15.00- 17.00, appointments will be reserved for patients who screen 'red'-i.e., they have a COVID-19 positive diagnosis.

When you wish to book an appointment for X-ray, please call our Regina clinic directly at **306-569-1016 extension 1**. This number is to be used for X-ray bookings only. The receptionist at our clinic will book the appointment.

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You will be asked to either fax the requisition directly to us at 306-569-1014 or send it with the patient. Patients will be informed on which building entrance and parking they should use. Our screening categories are shown below:

Risk Level Algorithm

Symptoms	Risk Factor	Risk Level Color Code
NO	NO	GREEN
YES	NO	YELLOW
NO	YES	YELLOW
YES	YES	ORANGE
COVID POSITIVE		RED

For ultrasound or private MRI appointments, or if you have other specific questions about a patient referral or our available exams, please call the normal booking number of **306-569-9729**.

Role of diagnostic imaging for COVID-19*:

- Chest x-ray and Chest CT are not for diagnosis of COVID-19 and cannot be used to exclude COVID-19 infection.
- Chest x-rays are not for routine use in the workup of suspected COVID-19 patients. Diagnostic testing for COVID-19 positive patients should be triaged via a SHA COVID-19 Assessment and Treatment clinic.
- Chest CT is used only in the hospital setting to look for complications.
- Emergent/urgent community imaging for known COVID-19 positive patients should consider whether findings are likely to alter management. Referral to the SHA COVID-19 Assessment and Treatment clinic is strongly recommended.

Sincerely,

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*Based on recommendations from the Canadian Association of Radiologists and the Canadian Society of Thoracic Radiology and supported by the Medical Imaging Position Statements from the Saskatchewan Health Authority