Travel Screening for Coronavirus

Per recommendations by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) related to the Coronavirus, Penn Medicine has implemented several interventions in PennChart to ensure proper monitoring and the safety of all our patients and staff.

Effective Monday, 01/27/20, you will notice that completion of the Travel History Flowsheet is required at Check-In. This provision was implemented to screen patients to determine if they have traveled to affected areas and may be at risk of infection.

Same day appointments scheduled via One-Click and Walk-In workflows and Inpatient Admissions will also be prompted to complete the Travel History Flowsheet.

If a patient has multiple appointments on the same day, only the first (i.e. earliest) appointment will elicit the completion of the Travel History Flowsheet.

1. At Check-In, you will get the following warning to complete Travel History screening in the Check List and as a Pop Up. You will not be able to bypass this warning.

2. Click the Travel History button to complete the flowsheet

3. The Travel Screening Flowsheet will appear:
4. Ask the patient the following questions:
   - **Have you travelled outside the U.S. in the past 3 weeks?**
     Select the patient’s answer on the flowsheet
   - **Do you have any of the following symptoms?**
     Select the patient’s answer(s) on the flowsheet

5. Only following responses will trigger a Warning for scheduling/registration staff and a Best Practice Advisory for clinical staff:
   - **Recent Travel:**
     - Travel to China in past 2 weeks (including Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan)
     - Travel to South Korea in past 2 weeks
     - Travel to Iran in past 2 weeks
     - Travel to Italy in past 2 weeks
     - Travel to Japan in past 2 weeks
   - **Infectious Disease Screening:**
     - Cough
     - Fever
     - Shortness of Breath

6. When you click Accept and Continue Check In, you will receive the following Warning. Ensure the actions in the Warning are carried out, then click Continue to proceed with Check In.
7. Note, when completing the Travel History Flowsheet, you may click “Show Row Info” and “Show Last Filed Value” to view any answers that were previously reported for the patient, along with information regarding when the answers were selected.

Please contact Enterprise Schedgistration Support should you have any questions or concerns regarding this process.

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