SCREENING OF RESEARCH SUBJECTS BEFORE SCHEDULING CAMPUS OR IN HOME/REMOTE VISITS

As a part of the University of Pittsburgh’s ongoing efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19, all individuals who come to (or circulate on) a Pitt campus should be screened for symptoms of or known exposure to COVID-19. Review of screening questions is recommended during the scheduling process for the campus or remote visit and again on the day of the campus or remote visit. If the research subject answers affirmatively to any of the screening questions the visit should be postponed or the individual should be asked to return home immediately.

1. ARE YOU EXPERIENCING ANY SYMPTOMS THAT MIGHT BE ATTRIBUTED TO COVID-19?

If you are experiencing any of the following symptoms that cannot be attributed to another known health condition, notify your research coordinator and stay home: New shortness of breath, cough, sore throat, fever over 100°F or sense of having a fever, sweating, chills, any loss of taste or smell, unexplained muscle aches, nausea, or diarrhea.

2. HAVE YOU HAD A KNOWN EXPOSURE TO COVID-19?

If you have been in close contact with someone known to have COVID-19, have been told by a public health official or employer that you may have been exposed to COVID-19, or have anyone in your household showing COVID-19 symptoms, notify your research coordinator. Please see the latest guidance from the CDC to see if you may need to stay home, and if so, for how long as recommendations are different for individuals who are fully, partially, or are not up to date with COVID-19 vaccines.

If you are sick or have one or more of the above symptoms on the day of your scheduled visit:

• Notify your research coordinator and stay home or ask that your in-home visit be postponed.
• Contact your health care provider.