Columbia/Franklin County
COVID-19 Screening & Triage Protocol
for People Experiencing Homelessness

**CURRENTLY LITERALLY HOMELESS**

- **In medical care**
  - COVID-19 Screening by Medical Partner done while in medical facility
  - Refer to Homeless Hotline for homeless screening & triage
  - Have a safe home

- **In shelter**
  - Screened by Homeless Hotline
  - COVID Not Suspected; High or Low Risk and/or Vulnerability
  - Refer to Homeless Hotline for triage

- **Unsheltered**
  - Screened by Non-Medical Shelter/Outreach staff.
  - COVID Not Suspected; Low Risk and Vulnerability
  - Consult with program management

**Initial Screening: Homeless & COVID Status**

**Initial Contact**

**Final Screening Disposition**

**COVID-19 Triage**

- COVID Confirmed or Presumed Positive (Symptomatic and/or Close Contact)
  - NOT APPROPRIATE for SIQ: Requires more intensive medical or behavioral health care
  - APPROPRIATE for SIQ: Positive or presumed = Isolation; Close contact = Quarantine
  - Alternative Care Center or Hospital
  - Shelter for Isolation and Quarantine

- COVID Presumed Negative High or Low Risk and/or Vulnerability
  - NOT APPROPRIATE for SIQ: Low Risk or Vulnerability
  - Connect to Permanent Housing & Related Assistance, Other Needs

**I/Q Triage Team and Medical Partner Review**