## **COVID 19 Policy**

COVID 19 began to shut down travel in March 2020. Since then there have been many restrictions implemented and removed. This is an attempt to provide current guidance on COVID at HIllside Clinic.

As of May 5, 2023, the WHO has declared that they no longer consider COVID 19 an international emergency and have suggested plans to integrate monitoring and care into the normal URI protocols and yearly vaccinations. <u>WHO COVID Recommendations</u>

## TRAVEL:

There are no longer restrictions for travel related to COVID 19.

Hillside does continue to ask for proof of vaccination for students to attend this rotation as healthcare access and resources are limited.

## **CLINIC:**

We also continue to ask our staff, students and volunteers to follow the following guidelines given the fact that healthcare services are limited here:

- When providing patient care: Must wear at least a surgical mask. Please provide these for yourself. If you want to use eye protection for procedures, please feel free to do so. We will have a 1:10 bleach solution you can use to clean reusable items. We also use a 70% alcohol based solution for items that bleach is too harsh for.
- Frequent handwashing or use of hand sanitizer is required.

## DORM LIFE/OFF DUTY:

- If you begin to have symptoms (fever, loss of taste/smell, diarrhea, cough, headache) please inform the Hillside Medical Director ASAP so we can provide supportive treatment and create a plan for isolation. (This goes for any illness you might contract.)
- Please bring along any supportive medications you might need: tylenol, ibuprofen, anti-nausea, anti-diarrheal, etc,