**Precautionary COVID-19 Screening for Research Participants**

The incorporation of precautionary COVID-19 screening does not require IRB approval. The screening tool should be updated to be consistent with the latest information from the CDC and TN Dept of Health.

**Screening**

Research participants may be asked to complete a short screening for COVID-19 exposure before in-person interactions. It is recommended that this screening take place via telephone prior to scheduling in-person research visits.

1. Have you had any of the following symptoms in the past 14 days without confirmation as something other than COVID-19 (such as a positive flu test, chronic medical condition, etc.)?

* Fever greater than 100.4 deg F?
* Cough?
* Shortness of Breath or Difficulty breathing?
* Sore throat?
* Loss of taste or smell?
* Headache?
* Fatigue?

1. In the last 14 days, have you lived with, visited, cared for, or been in a room for a prolonged period of time with someone who is under investigation or has been confirmed for COVID-19/coronavirus infection?

If participants say “yes” to any of the questions, it is recommended that you reschedule the research visit for a later date and direct them to <https://www.etsu.edu/coronavirus/> for ETSU information, along with [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html) and [TN Department of Health](https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/ncov.html).