## COVID Positive/Presumed Positive

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<th>Which patients are included?</th>
<th>Asymptomatic with no COVID Testing or Result (Infection Screening Questionnaire Negative)</th>
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<td>Active COVID Infection: positive COVID test</td>
<td>Patient asymptomatic (Infection Screening questionnaire negative) and no COVID test results</td>
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<td>Person Under Investigation (PUI): COVID test sent due to risk/signs/symptoms, results pending</td>
<td>Asymptomatic Class A/B with no test results available</td>
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<td>Potential COVID Risk - Patient Symptomatic: Signs/symptoms or exposure concerning for COVID are present; COVID testing not done (see FAQ, question #3)</td>
<td><em>If clinically appropriate to await COVID testing results, waiting is preferred</em></td>
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<td>Unable to obtain Infection Screening + no COVID test: Unable to assess history/symptoms and no test results available</td>
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### OR Door Signage

- High Risk Patient COVID-19

### Preferred ORs

- MOR 14 & 15 if possible
- MOR 10 & 27 (Cardiac)
- MOR 26 (Laminar flow/Trauma)
- SFCH 1 & 7: Cardiac

### Transport to OR

- Transport to OR per standard protocols (patients will go direct to OR or OR desk)
- Patient wears surgical mask during transport
- Anesthesia team dons full PPE before entering OR
- Surgical mask remains on patient until intubation in OR then discard

### Anes Workroom

- COVID-19 Anesthesia cart with essential supplies
- Dedicated anesthesia workroom tech/designee
- Ambu-bag + HMEF filter for transport for intubated patients not on ICU ventilator

### ICU Ventilator or HMEF Filter Use

- **RT pagers:** MOR 3921, SFCH 3935

### ICU Staffing

- **Nursing Staffing:** Minimize team members/handoff to reduce cross contamination
- **Anes Staffing:** Minimize cross contamination

### PPE

- **PPE (Don all PPE prior to receiving patient):**
  - N95 mask (preferred) or CAPR: leave on for transport to postop
  - Face shield or disposable eye protection: leave on for transport to postop
  - Isolation gown: doff, perform hand hygiene, replace before transport to postop
  - Gloves: doff, perform hand hygiene, and replace before transport to postop
  - Shoe covers: doff before transport to postop
  - **CAPR is only worn if N95 deemed not appropriate by employee health**

### Decontamination

- **N95 Decontamination:** Continue to use N95 until shift end or care of COVID positive/presumed positive patient

### Postop Destination

- **ICU:** Designated ICU location (SPU/SNICU/MICU: discuss with SNICU triage pager 1461. Notify SNICU triage pager 30 min prior to arrival.)
  - Postop mech ventilation needed: Transport with ICU ventilator if available (Ambu + HMEF filter if ICU vent not available)
  - Postop mech ventilation not needed: If patient is going/returning to a negative pressure ICU room, extubate in ICU. Otherwise extubate in OR and recover for 20 min after any AGP (inc vigorous coughing) with surgical mask over face before transport to ICU

- **Non-ICU patients:**
  - General anesthesia: Extubate and recovery in OR with surgical mask over face → transport to floor
  - MAC: recovery in OR with surgical mask over face → transport to floor
  - Regional anesthesia: If OR recovery expected to be longer than 30 minutes, contact PACU charge nurse ASAP to discuss recovery options

### Pharmacy

- Use COVID-19 medication kit from Acudose when pharmacy is closed
- Double-waste then discard controlled medications,, and return yellow form flat in large plastic bag to Pharmacy

### OR Cleaning

- Per Environmental Services Protocol for Airborne precautions (wait 20 min after patient leaves before cleaning)

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