Admission of Newborn with COVID-19 Positive or PUI for COVID-19 Mother and Need for Level 4 Riley NICU

- All Infants born to mothers with confirmed COVID-19 should be considered persons under investigation (PUIs) with “low probability risk”.
- Infants should be isolated according to the IUH ID/IC Guidance

Transport to Riley:
- Transport in isolette
- Transport personnel to wear appropriate PPE

- Notify IP/IC of patient arrival (call the operator and ask for Riley IP on call OR Diagnotes for “Riley Infection Prevention”)
- Notify charge nurse and NICU team of COVID positive
- Mobilize appropriate PPE/supplies, have them ready for use
- Notify Medical Director (cell XXX XXX-XXXX; text COVID or Diagnotes)

Enhanced droplet precautions in single positive pressure room in NICU with:
- Infant’s warmer/crib positioned at least 6 feet from the door (mandatory)
- Room door will be closed at all times
- Medical team and Parent/Caregiver to wear appropriate PPE at all times

At discharge follow: “Special discharge recommendations for COVID-19 Positive Infant” (TBD)

Breastfeeding: Mothers should be encouraged to express breast milk to establish supply at the outside hospital.
If during separation the mothers practices good HH, washes upper torso, changes linen & hospital gown, and dons mask prior and during pumping, her expressed milk can and should be fed to newborn by a healthy caregiver. Breast pumps/components to be thoroughly cleaned in between pumping.