

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

- Notify IP/IC of patient arrival (call the operator and ask for Riley IP on call OR Diagnoses 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 Diagnoses)

Transport to Riley:

- Transport in isolette
- Transport personnel to wear appropriate PPE

- **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**

Visitation Guidelines:

- The non-maternal parent (or designated equivalent) may visit if asymptomatic, even if they are monitored for infection due to exposure to partner
- Visitors need to be screened each time at the entry in NICU
- Mother will not be allowed to visit the infant until she meets the CDC recommendations for suspending precautions (IP\* to clear the mother for visitation—MANDATORY step)

IP\*: Infection Prevention

- PPE: Gown, glove, goggles/face shield, and facemask
- Use N95 mask with goggles/face shield or PAPR with PPE for aerosol generating procedures: PPV, intubations, CPR, BiPAP, CPAP, HFNC  $\geq 3$ LPM, bronchoscopy, tracheostomy, open suctioning, nebulizer treatments

- **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.