COVID-19 Emergency Department Treatment – March 23, 2021 0800
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Box 1. ED COVID Retestig Guideline
ED Patients Previously (+) for COVID-19:
1. 90 days since initial positive test
   - No retesting recommended. Follow isolation discontinuation guidelines.
2. 90 days since initial (+) test
   - Retesting only recommended for admission cohorting or procedural clearance needs. Isolate if positive.

Current Symptomatic After Initial Recovery:
- Isolate. Search for alternative etiology (bacterial array, other), if no alternative found then clinical diagnosis of recurrent COVID can be considered and retesting may be appropriate, especially if 90 days since first positive.

Box 2. CDC Isolation Discontinuation Criteria:
- Moderate Illness (no ICU) & not severely immunocompromised:
  1. 10 days have passed since symptom first appeared AND
     - 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications AND
     - Symptoms (e.g., cough, SOB) have improved

- Severe/critical illness (ICU stay OR severely immunocompromised):
  1. 20 days have passed since symptom first appeared AND
     - 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications AND
     - Symptoms (e.g., cough, SOB) have improved

Note: Asymptomatic, severely immunocompromised patients may discontinue isolation once 20 days have passed since their first positive COVID-19 PCR.

*Severely immunocompromised = History of solid-organ or bone marrow transplant; Cancer undergoing chemotherapy; Primary immunodeficiency; HIV infection; or Immunosuppressive medications.

Note re: Patient Vaccination Status:
The CDC defines a patient as fully vaccinated 2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or 2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine. While less likely symptomatic or asymptomatic illness after vaccination is possible and thus the algorithms here apply regardless of vaccination status, including for facility and pre-procedure screening.