COVID-19 Testing Algorithm for Admitted Patients Requiring Surgery or Procedure – May 8, 2020 1130

Patient Admitted to Hospital Requiring Surgery or Procedure

Provider Enters Order for COVID19 Rapid Test

Patient will remain on their current nursing unit without isolation precautions in place for asymptomatic patients.

Order will trigger a BPA in Epic for Isolation, RN should answer "Isolation Not Required" with comment "Testing in Asymptomatic Patient Prior to Surgery/Procedure".

RN obtains dry swab from unit supply or Hospital Supervisor and swabs patient using appropriate technique.

RN Sends Swab to Lab Immediately. (Rapid, Dry Swabs must be tested in the lab within 2 hrs of collection so it is important to send to lab immediately)

NEGATIVE Results

No Further Action Required

A negative result will remove the infection status in Epic and the isolation status will need to be manually removed by the nurse. If it is still present, Perfect Serve Infection Prevention if isolation status is not removed.

POSITIVE Result

Place patient in Severe Respiratory Precautions

Notify Attending Provider and Ordering Provider/Department (if different); Provider team will determine if they will proceed, delay or cancel.

Notify Transfer Center - Patient will require transfer to a COVID unit