COVID test ordered*

Is the patient symptomatic? (Indicate this in the order under “Symptoms”)  
- Adult  
- Pediatrics

Yes, Symptomatic

Initiate Severe Respiratory Precautions, patient to stay in current unit until test results  
HDVCH ED: admit to COVID unit  
BW/BL ED: hold in ED until test results are available

No, Asymptomatic

Admission screening, pre-procedure, L&D, facility transfer, etc.

Unable to assess

Assess patient if possible and select if symptomatic or asymptomatic and indicate this in the order under “Symptoms”  
If truly unable to assess for symptoms, treat as symptomatic and initiate isolation

Negative result

- Consult Attending Provider to determine if COVID is still in the differential diagnosis  
- If no longer in the differential diagnosis, isolate following standard precautions or other diagnoses

Positive result

- Initiate/continue Severe Respiratory Precautions  
- Notify Attending Provider and Ordering Provider (if different)  
- Notify transfer center– patient will require transfer to a COVID unit

Inpatient will remain on their current nursing unit without isolation precautions while waiting for test results. (If ED: can admit to non-COVID unit while awaiting results)

Negative result

No further action required

*Re-testing guidelines found [here](#)