Guidelines for Universal Inpatient Screening for COVID-19

Yes Test

- Inpatients not meeting PUI criteria
- Inpatients going to a COVID naïve Skilled Nursing Facility

- Do NOT use PUI/COVID-19 Diagnosis
- Patient NOT to be placed on isolation unit/precautions

Screening upon admission will help…

- Prevents asymptomatic transmission and inadvertent exposure to Healthcare Workers and improves overall inpatient safety
- Quickly identifies small number of patients that screen positive during hospital stay
- Prevents delays in procedures and surgeries
- Allows timely discharges and transfers (e.g., Skilled Nursing Facility, Long Term Care, Mercy ship)

- These patients should **not** be identified as PUI and do **not** require isolation precautions.
- COVID-related PPE usage is **not** indicated for these patients.

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Guidelines for Routine COVID-19 Testing Based on Patient Categories

No Test

Category 1
All people who are <u>asymptomatic</u>, **including** known or possible exposures and/or recent travel

Category 2
Symptoms of fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath; **not** requiring hospitalization

Consider Test

Category 3
Symptoms of fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath; NOT requiring hospitalization, in <u>high risk patients*</u>, and <u>asymptomatic patients requiring urgent airway or intestinal surgery</u>

Yes Test

Category 4
Symptoms of fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath with no other diagnosis in: all <u>healthcare workers, first responders, SNF/LTC residents, dialysis patients</u>

Category 5
Patients requiring hospitalization including: <u>symptomatic</u> with fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath; <u>asymptomatic L&D</u>; other inpatients <u>being considered for transfer</u>

Category 6
<u>**Inpatients not meeting PUI criteria;**</u> including inpatients going to a COVID naïve SNF

Do NOT use PUI/COVID-19 diagnoses; Do NOT place the patient on isolation unit or precautions

Sputum or Swab

Swab

*Adults >65, immunocompromised, cancer, transplant, advanced HIV, chronic lung and/or heart disease, diabetes with A1C >8.0, pregnancy, morbid obesity, and homeless ; travel or close contact with confirmed COVID-19 patient within the last 14 days

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Guidelines for COVID-19 Testing with Abbott SARS-CoV-2 Rapid Assay

(As this is a limited resource, the guidance below is provided to define prioritization. Local reprioritization may occur in times of Surge.)

Clinical Prioritization Criteria

Priority 1
Pregnant women coming into L&D for admission with expected delivery within 24 hours

Priority 2
ICU/SDU admissions of low and/or moderate suspicion COVID PUIs

Priority 3
Patients requiring emergency (within 24hrs) Airway and/or Intestinal surgery

Ordering Instructions / Operations:

- Tests will be shipped to the Regional Reference Lab and distributed to Local Command Centers according to medical center scale; will monitor supply/demand on a regular basis and shift allocations accordingly
- Any provider can place an order for this test in KPHC; clinical prioritization criteria will be provided in the order set as guidance to the provider (no click req'd)
- Approval process will be accomplished by order review at the point of kit pick-up from the Local Command Center
- If test was not ordered appropriately, ordering provider will be directed to place an alternative COVID-19 testing order
- Each local command center will monitor orders, noting the ordering provider and clinical indication
- A small batch of tests will also be kept on reserve at the Regional Lab for emergencies and will be distributed (via A-Line) upon request by the Local Command Center

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