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Resources & Updates

[UCM Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Resource Center](#)

[UCM Video: How to Don and Doff Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\)](#)

For clinical questions regarding the care of COVID PUIs or COVID patients, [page the COVID Resource Team](#) (p30028).

Recent Updates:

- 7/14/2020
 - Outlined travel restrictions per Chicago travel ordinance
 - Updated Symptoms list

Patient meets any of the following criteria:

- Confirmed exposure (e.g. during inpatient stay, contact tracer, or household member)
- International travel or domestic travel to any of these state:
 - Alabama
 - Arkansas
 - Arizona
 - California,
 - Florida
 - Georgia
 - Idaho
 - Louisiana
 - Mississippi
 - North Carolina
 - Nevada
 - South Carolina
 - Tennessee
 - Texas
 - Utah

Record Exposure Date (Direction)

Enter Exposure Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Order Isolation & Pathway Enrollment Order

- Patient may remain in current care setting
- Order:
 - Contact Isolation
 - Special Respiratory Isolation
 - Enroll in COVID-19 Exposed
- RN places special respiratory and contact isolation signs on door ([rationale](#))
- Place a surgical mask on the patient ([rationale](#))
- ([Guidance](#)) for patients who are unable to wear masks
- Place a surgical mask on anyone who accompanies the patient, even if they have no symptoms ([rationale](#))
- Page [COVID-19 Social Work Consult Team](#) (p30027) to facilitate discussion with family about visitor policy
- If imaging is needed, follow [imaging SOP](#)
- Ensure diet orders are placed with all disposable checked ([photo](#))

Primary team monitors patient for development of [Symptoms Concerning for COVID-19](#) for 14 days or duration of inpatient stay

Has patient developed [Symptoms Concerning for COVID-19](#)?

Refer to appropriate testing pathway

- Adult: [COVID-19: Adult Inpatient](#)
- Pediatrics: [COVID-19: Comer Inpatient- Outside Transfer ILL or New ILL In-House](#)
- L&D: [New ILL In-House](#)
- NICU: [Comer Newborn PUI](#)

No

Has 14 days passed since exposure occurred?

Yes

Patient Meets Criteria for Clearing

- [Page the COVID Clearance Team](#) (p30104) during business hours;
- Clearance team to discontinue:
 - COVID-19 Exposed Pathway Order
 - Special Respiratory Precautions

Return to pathway once criteria has been met