
Inborn: Mother positive/PUI (excludes asymptomatic screening) NICU team (2 LIPs and 1 RN) attend these deliveries. Notify Newborn Nursery/Night NP team covering Newborn of delivery (pager #4555) for heads up. Transport Isolette used, all team members droplet PPE with face shields with N-95 mask, since the infant may need resuscitation with CPAP, PPV, intubation or open suctioning. Use inline Filter with all positive pressure devices. Avoid unnecessary suctioning; blue bulb suctioning is prohibited. Infant asymptomatic can remain with Mom, admitted per Well Newborn protocol, if transition needed use Bay 4 with an Isolette.

Asymptomatic Infant is a PUI, stays with Mom, if transition needed moved by Isolette to Bay 4. Placed on droplet isolation & face shield. Cared for by the Newborn Nursery Team (Pager #4555) during the day, NP team at night admits to newborn like a standard admission. Newborn bathed as soon as possible after birth. If transition successful, infant rooms-in with Mom, placed in Isolette and moved to Mom’s room. Care per Well Newborn Protocol. If Mom unavailable, can go to 6JPP or 3JPP if a healthy caregiver is available or Level 10 if not, per Well Newborn Nursery Protocol.

If Mother is (-) infant can come off isolation. If Mom (+) then test infant at 48 hrs. If baby (+) remains in isolation; consult Epi regarding duration. If baby (-) discontinue precautions. Cover infant when exiting hospital.

NICU Visiting Rules: 1) Asymptomatic caregiver/nonmaternal parent if not PUI /Covid-19 (+) is permitted to visit and/or provide care to the asymptomatic newborn but wears appropriate PPE. 2) Mothers: COVID-19 positive/PUI are not allow to visit, unless (-) or if test (+), ≥ 10 days since (+) test, afebrile for 72 hours w/o antipyretics and free of respiratory symptoms. 3) No parental limitations if > 2 weeks since 2nd dose of vaccine/since single dose vaccine (J&J) when exposed.

Outborn not newborn Infants
From home/ER/NICU with respiratory viral pneumonia need to be admitted to PICU until viral testing is negative similar to RSV patient.

Healthy Outborn Newborn Infant born to COVID-19/PUI mother, if asymptomatic stays at local institution.

Outborn Term or Preterm Newborn with nonviral respiratory issues (extreme prematurity, PDA, NEC etc) born to a COVID-19 (+) mother/PUI can be admitted to Bay 1 or 2/3, Droplet mask, Face shield +/- N-95 mask as indicated. Mom is (-) D/C precautions. If Mom is (+) test infant when > 48 hrs of age otherwise test all outborn on admission.

Mothers COVID-19 positive/PUI should pump and give breast milk by bottle or NG if necessary.

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