

Cesarean Section Workflow for Obstetric Patients with COVID-19 or PUI (person under investigation)

	Charge Nurse	Essential Support Staff	OR Runner RN	Primary Circulating RN	Anesthesia	Operating Physicians	OR Tech
Pre OP	Secure path of travel to OR (Clear hallway Close all room doors)	Don surgical mask >goggles>gown>head cover>gloves	Don surgical mask >goggles>gown>head cover>gloves	Don N95 mask >goggles>gown>head cover>gloves		Don N95 mask >goggles> and head cover prior to scrubbing in	
		Don N95 mask if patient is being intubated	Don N95 mask if patient is being intubated	Place surgical mask on patient prior to transporting to the OR	Transport patient to OR Prepare for intubation prn HEPA filter MUST be used with circuit	Don gloves and gown before patient enters OR	Don gloves and gown before patient enters OR
Intra OP	Secure NO ENTRY to OR	OR Runner will pass off specimens and receive any additional items or equipment at designated access point (e.g. main door to OR) ** specimen handling per facility infection prevention guideline					
Post OP	Secure path of travel back to original patient room (Clear hallway Close all room doors)	Doff PPE and leave OR	DO NOT DOFF PPE Assist with transport Doff PPE after patient transfer back to original patient room	Initiate recovery in OR (e.g., extubate), move patient back to original patient room per anesthesiologist order DO NOT DOFF PPE OR Runner to assist transport	Initiate recovery in OR (e.g., extubate), hand off orders to primary RN Doff PPE and leave OR	Doff PPE and leave OR	Log names of all staff Clean OR in full PPE N95 mask * No special precautions needed for dirty instruments

1. Maintain vigilance while wearing personal protective equipment in order to prevent contamination of your immediate surrounding area
2. According to the CDC, a N95 must be worn during aerosolizing procedures (e.g., intubation/extubation, CPR, open oral suctioning, breathing treatment, bronchoscopy)

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