ACH COVID-19 Pathway
Inpatient Areas

This pathway is intended as a guide for staff/providers and is not intended to replace clinical judgement. Students refer to educational institution guidelines for caring for COVID positive patients.

Positive COVID-19 test
- Place patient on Special Respiratory Enhanced Contact Isolation (see orange PPE box)
- Limit care providers entering room
- Review current visitor guidelines on the Arkansas Children’s webpage

Pending COVID-19 test (includes unknown status or test not collected)
- Place patient on Special Respiratory Enhanced Contact Isolation (see orange PPE box)
- Limit care providers entering room
- Review current visitor guidelines on the Arkansas Children’s webpage

Negative COVID-19 test
- Continue routine management of patient per standard of care

Confirmed Positive COVID-19
- Place in negative pressure room with doors closed

Patient under investigation (tested) for COVID-19
- Place in private room with door closed

Notify Attending and Nursing Staff/Team Leader

For POSITIVE Patients ONLY
Inpatient Team Leader/PCM
- Notify Team Leader/PCM if on shift
- Cluster care and limit number of staff for routine care of patient
- Ensure special respiratory enhanced contact isolation is in place
- Ensure RN/Provider wear PPE, have been FIT tested or have CAPR
- Collect list of staff members who came into contact with patient

Infection Prevention
- Communicate with inpatient team leader/PCM as necessary
- Ensure staff has implemented Special Respiratory Enhanced Contact Isolation
- Please call IP on-call with questions

Aerosol Generating Procedures (AGPs):
- Open suctioning of airways (oral, anterior nasal, nasal pharyngeal, endotracheal, tracheostomy)
- Sputum induction
- Cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- Endotracheal intubation/extubation
- Non-invasive ventilation (e.g. BiPAP, CPAP)
- Ventilator circuits with open exhalation (i.e. Trilogy, Vivo 65 or LTV ventilators)
- Bronchoscopy and Endoscopy
- Manual ventilation (bag/face mask, bag/endotracheal tube, bag/tracheostomy)
- High flow O2 delivery via OptiFlow

Patient Care
- Special Respiratory Enhanced Contact Isolation (signs on all doors)
- Direct care providers only to care for patient (no orientees or students)
- Disposable equipment is used for patient care. (DO NOT remove equipment, stethoscope, etc)
- Advise patient and family to not leave room. If caregiver must leave hospital, place mask on caregiver. All meals for patients/caregivers will be delivered to room.

Patient Ready for Discharge:
- Review follow-up recommendations
- Supportive care including hydration and antipyretics
- Quarantine instructions, including duration
- Follow up with PCP
  - CDC home care guidance - English version
  - CDC home care guidance - Spanish version
# Addendum to Clinical Guidelines for Bed Placement

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**Negative Pressure Rooms:**

- 4C med: 4C-05, 4C-06, 4C-07
- 4D Neuro: 4D-05, 4D-06
- 3D: 3D-03, 3D-04, 3D-05
- 3E: 3E-01, 3E-02, 3E-03, 3E-04
- PICU: 23, 24, 25, 26
- ED: 1, 3, 8, 10, 12, 14, 15, Decon
- NICU: MP 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
- ACNW-2 Inpatient rooms 17 and 20

_Nursing Supervisor will assign rooms_