



## Personal Protective Equipment and Room Turnover Guidelines for Surgical Care – COVID 19 pandemic

Scheduling status	PUI status	COVID PCR testing result	Estimated probability of COVID	PPE	Room turnover
Essential case – non-urgent non-emergent	No symptoms Not a PUI	Negative	<1%	Standard OR attire - including eye protection	Standard  No wait after intubation or extubation
		Positive Unknown	85-99% 1-2% Current community prevalence	Cancel surgery	
	Symptoms PUI	Negative Positive	10-20% 85-99%		
		Unknown	30-70%		
Urgent case – Not immediately life threatening, but needs to be performed in under 4 hours - unknown COVID status	Unknown	Unknown	1-2% Current community prevalence	Standard OR attire  - including eye protection  - Follow O.R. flow for urgent cases	15 minutes after intubation and extubation
Emergent Case – Immediate threat to life (ex: ruptured ectopic pregnancy, aortic dissection, trauma now) - unknown COVID status	Unknown	Unknown	1-2% Current community prevalence	Full Barrier precautions  - Follow OR flow for emergency cases	15 minutes after extubation
Special Consideration- Operation involving oropharynx, trachea, bronchus, lung (including		Negative		Full Barrier precautions	15 minutes after procedure end
bronchoscopy)  All Operations: Essential Cases Urgent Cases Emergent Cases		Positive or Unknown		Cancel surgery unless high risk of clinical deterioration without surgery	

<sup>\*</sup>Per universal masking guideline, anesthesia team can choose to use N95 mask as their universal mask