Updated Guidelines for PPE in Neuraxial and Regional Anesthesia in Suspected and Positive COVID-19 Patients

**Obstetric**
- Pre-op Huddle (roles and PPE)
  - Anticipate other medication & equipment needed and bring in
- General Anesthetic
  - EDCP* + N95 mask
- Spinal or Epidural top up
  - Adequate Block
    - EDCP* + surgical mask
  - High Risk conversion to GA including:
    - Concern for inadequate block
    - No time for epidural top up
    - Risk massive intra op blood loss (>1.5L)
    - Transverse Lie
    - EDCP* + N95 mask

**Non-Obstetric**
- Spinal
  - Adequate Block
    - EDCP* + surgical mask
  - Inadequate Block
    - EDCP* + N95 mask
- Regional
  - Adequate Block
    - EDCP* + surgical mask
  - Inadequate Block
    - EDCP* + N95 mask

* For emergency case: Scrub Nurse to don N95 IF Anesthesia has not assessed patient/unable to determine conversion risk prior to scrubbing in

*EDCP = Enhanced Droplet Contact Precautions

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