Obstetrical Anesthesia: Operating Room PPE Protocol

**Obstetrical OR**

**YES**

COVID screening questions negative AND Asymptomatic

GREEN Zone OR

- Spinal, Epidural or GA

Routine OR
- Surgical mask (not N95)
- PLUS Shared Health Green Zone Precautions

**NO/No time to assess**

ORANGE/RED Zone OR

Huddle to determine PPE/roles/patient status re NICU concerns

- Spinal or Epidural Top-up
- Adequate Block
- High Risk conversion to GA:
  - Inadequate block
  - No time for epidural top up
  - Concern for massive blood loss (>1.5L)
  - Transverse Lie

Patient requires supplemental O2, respiratory support, BP support OR immunocompromised patient (concern for vertical transmission)

**COVID SCREENING QUESTIONS FOR EXPOSURE: In the past 14 days have you:**

- Returned from travel, including outside Manitoba (not including Western Canada, the Territories or Ontario west of Terrace Bay) OR
- Had exposure* to a confirmed (presumptive positive) case of COVID-19 (*including attendance at large group settings where someone confirmed as COVID-19 positive); OR
- Had a lab exposure working directly with biological specimens that contain COVID-19

**SIGNS & SYMPTOMS CRITERIA: In the past 14 days have you:**

Category A - Fever >38°C or subjective fever/chills; cough; sore throat/hoarse voice; shortness of breath/breathing difficulty, loss of taste or smell, vomiting or diarrhea for more than 24 hours, clinical features of multisystem inflammatory syndrome (MIS-C) or features of Kawasaki Disease

Category B - runny nose, muscle aches, fatigue, conjunctivitis, headache, skin rash of unknown cause, nausea or loss of appetite, poor feeding (in an infant)

IF ANSWER OF YES TO ANY OF THE ABOVE – PATIENT SHOULD BE TESTED FOR COVID AND CASE DELAYED IF FEASIBLE

**EDCP** = Enhanced Droplet Contact Precautions

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