OBSTETRIC APPENDIX to UCSF "Algorithm for ED/Hospitalized/Inpatient OB Triage/UCSF Birth Center Patients with Respiratory Illness"
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Specific Birth Center Policies:
- All patients and visitors will be screened for respiratory symptoms upon entry to the hospital
- All visitors are requires to wear a hospital-provided surgical mask
- Patients and visitors cannot walk through the hallways, enter shared spaced (ie. pantry) or patios
- Single support person for entire hospital stay (cannot have infectious symptoms themselves)
- For visitors of patients who are COVID positive OR symptomatic persons under investigation (PUI):
  - Visitor cannot have infectious symptoms themselves and cannot have had unprotected contact with someone with COVID-19 for the past 14 days
  - Recommend protective gear (CONTACT & DROPLET) - to be trained by nursing – don & doff
  - Restricted to patient's room, not to enter common spaces including cafeteria
  - Uses patient bathroom
  - Hand-washing often

The UCSF "Algorithm for ED/Hospitalized/Inpatient OB Triage/UCSF Birth Center Patients with Respiratory Illness" should be utilized to triage patients appropriately who present to L&D triage for evaluation of respiratory symptoms.
 https://infectioncontrol.ucsfmedicalcenter.org/coronavirus

If an OB patient presents to the UCSF lobby with infectious symptoms
- They are to be masked immediately
- Triage desk will be notified (415-353-1787, Ext 1)
- Triage RN will come down in CONTACT & DROPLET PPE to escort the patient through staff elevators to 3rd floor Birth Center (Triage RN will push elevator buttons and door buttons)

If there is a known COVID + patient who presents to L&D for planned evaluation or admission:
- Patient will wait outside and call L&D triage as previously instructed
- Triage RN will come down in CONTACT & DROPLET PPE and bring patient in though staff stairwell entrance to the LEFT of the adult lobby doors
- Triage RN will escort the patient through staff elevators to 3rd floor Birth Center (Triage RN will push elevator buttons and door buttons)

When evaluating a patient with infectious symptoms who **DOES** require ADMISSION, the following providers should be notified immediately via VOALTE (does not require physical examination of the patient by all listed providers):
- Lead MD/MFM MD
- OB anesthesia attending
- ICU attending & nurse practitioner
- MB adult hospitalist (as needed based on patient's clinical status)
- L&D Charge nurse
- ICN attending or fellow (if fetus is viable)
- Rapid response (as needed based on patient's clinical status)

As soon as a person with infectious symptoms enters the L&D unit (including triage) and is determined to need admission, the following steps need to be taken:
- Assign patient room and complete "LDR COVID check list"
- Assign OR3 as "COVID/PUI OR" and complete "COVID OB OR check list"

When evaluating a patient with infectious symptoms who **DOES NOT** require admission, the following providers should be notified via VOALTE:
- Triage NP/CNM/MD provider
- L&D Charge nurse

OB PUI patients can be discharged from triage to await test results if they meet the following criteria:
- Cleared from OB indications
- Stable vital signs
- Able to follow up/good contact information

*Patients should be placed on the "**OB COVID follow up list**" – shared list on APEX. Discharge instructions to include (dot) coviddischargetestingsent