

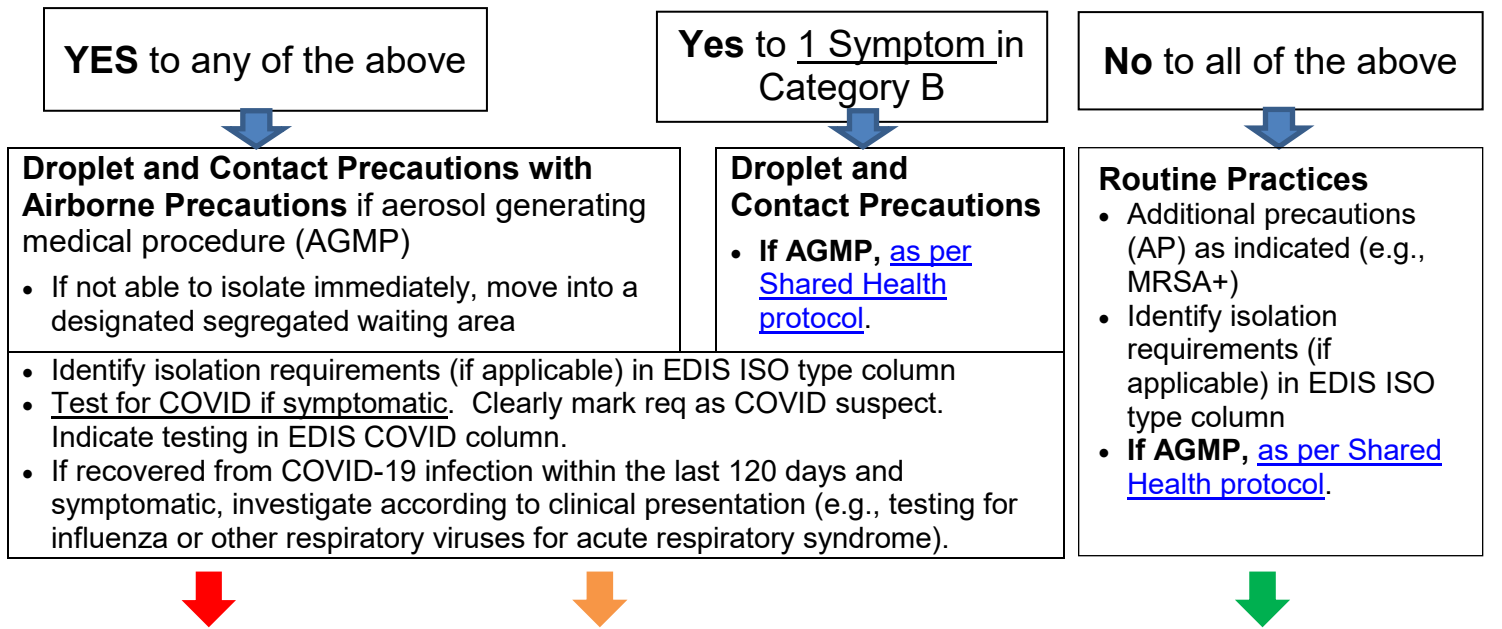
# COVID-19 ED/UC ALGORITHM

Note: latest updates will appear in blue

Instruct patient to clean hands with alcohol based hand rub. Ask the following:

<b>SIGNS AND SYMPTOM CRITERIA</b>	<b>ONE symptom in Category A</b>	<b>OR</b>	<b>TWO or more symptoms in Category B</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fever >38 or subjective fever/chills <input type="checkbox"/> cough <input type="checkbox"/> sore throat/hoarse voice <input type="checkbox"/> shortness of breath/breathing difficulty <input type="checkbox"/> loss of taste or smell <input type="checkbox"/> vomiting or diarrhea more than 24hrs		<input type="checkbox"/> runny nose <input type="checkbox"/> muscle aches <input type="checkbox"/> fatigue <input type="checkbox"/> conjunctivitis <input type="checkbox"/> headache <input type="checkbox"/> skin rash of unknown cause <input type="checkbox"/> nausea or loss of appetite <input type="checkbox"/> poor feeding (in an infant)
<b>HISTORY CRITERIA</b>	<b>Have you tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 10 days (either by rapid test or laboratory-based test)?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>EXPOSURE CRITERIA</b>	<b>Have you been exposed in the last 14 days to someone that has tested positive for COVID-19 (either by rapid test or laboratory-based test) or has COVID-19 symptoms?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

Unable to obtain answers to above questions (e.g. unconscious or delirious patient)? If so, treat as **ORANGE**.



<b>Patient Zone</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>Orange</b>	<b>Green</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COVID positive</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COVID suspect OR</li> <li>COVID negative during this illness presentation AND exposure history within 14 days</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No known exposure and clinical presentation suggest non-COVID diagnosis OR</li> <li>COVID negative during this illness presentation AND no clinical COVID concerns</li> </ul>
<b>Admitting</b>	To dedicated red zone room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See <a href="#">COVID-19 Cohorting guidelines</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Based on clinical presentation and requirement for other APs (e.g., MRSA +)</li> </ul>

**Note:** Essential medical escorts and designated care givers are permitted. If entry to ED/UC is approved, escort/designated care giver must be screened.

**Change Log:**

- May 3, 2023 – Remove need for patient to don mask at facility entrance prior to screening
- March 16, 2023 - Alignment with OESH guidance in the change from 180 days recovered, to 120 days recovered
- Sept. 29, 2022 – Removed travel-related questions.
- June 28, 2022 – Updated physical distancing from required to encouraged
- March 17 - Changes to align with latest changes to public health orders