Emergency Medicine Elective
ONLY SENIOR STUDENTS ON EMED ELECTIVES FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THIRD YEAR CLERKSHIPS

NOTE: This is a high-risk clinical environment for exposure to COVID-19. Aerosolizing procedures are anticipated to be a significant component of the clinical experience on this elective. Participation in this elective is always voluntary. All students are encouraged to initiate a Leave of Absence request, if the clinical environment is felt to pose an unacceptable risk.

Emergency Medicine or Trauma Patient
Trauma Bay / Emergent Hospital Setting

1. COVID-19 Test Positive?
2. Fever & URI Symptoms*?
3. COVID-19 First Degree Contact?
4. Assessed by Faculty or Senior Resident as High Risk for COVID-19?

NO

MUST WEAR Advanced PPE:
N-95 masks (fit tested)
Goggles (with circumferential seal)
Surgical/Trauma Gown (If Trauma Patient)
AT ALL TIMES

NO

YES

PROCEED with due CAUTION

EMED ELECTIVE students may NOT participate in the care of HIGH RISK PUIs* or patients with known active COVID-19.

The patient must wear a mask if possible & must have a clinical condition important for learning objectives.
Care of PUIs is voluntary and NOT required.

*Patients with fever AND respiratory symptoms are NOT PERMITTED.
Encounters with patients who cohabitate with individuals having active COVID-19 are NOT PERMITTED

**EMED clerkship student participation guidelines are provided SEPARATELY elsewhere.

FOOTNOTES:
1 - Must adhere to CDC, TAMU, & hospital affiliate guidelines. More stringent local clinical affiliate guidelines supersede less restrictive COM guidelines & must be followed at all times
2 – NOTE: Access to readily available supply of advanced PPE including properly sized/fit-tested N-95 masks, goggles with circumferential seal, and surgical/trauma gowns is absolutely essential. Inability of these measures to be provided by the clinical affiliate directly to the student at any time precludes continued involvement in this elective and the student will withdraw immediately.

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