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## COVID-19 Screening Criteria prior to Patient Procedure

### PURPOSE

To minimize spread of COVID-19, patients scheduled for elective procedures will be screened prior to elective procedure during COVID-19 pandemic as defined by CDC/SFPDH.

### SCOPE

Elective procedures admitted through Ambulatory Care Unit (ACU) include, but not limited to: Surgery, Cardiac Catheterization, Interventional Radiology, Electrophysiology, Gastroenterology, Interventional Endoscopy, Interventional MRI and CT procedures.

### DEFINITIONS

Procedural Screening for COVID-19:

- A. Do you have a fever, or have you taken any medication for a fever within the last 24 hours?
- B. Does anyone in your home have a fever, or have they taken any medication for a fever within the last 24 hours?
- C. Do you have a cough, cold, or flu like symptoms?
- D. Does anyone in your home have a cough, cold, or flu like symptoms?
- E. Within the last 14 days, have you traveled to any countries identified by CDC as COVID-19 Level 3 Risk? (Screener will state country names as of time of screening)
- F. Within the last 14 days, has anyone in your home traveled to any countries identified by CDC as COVID-19 Level 3 Risk? (Screener will state country names as of time of screening)
- G. If patient answers YES to any question, elective surgery is canceled
- H. If patient answers NO to all questions, ask patient to please notify your physician if you experience a fever or any cough, cold, or flu like symptoms prior to date of elective procedure.

### PROCEDURE

- A. By phone, Preadmission Testing (PAT) screens patients 3 days prior to elective procedure.

Preadmission Testing continues to call patient up to 24 hours prior to surgery for patients not answering the phone.

- B. PAT will ask the patient the six questions.
- C. If patient answers "yes" to any of the questions, patient notified their elective surgery is canceled and to contact the physician's office to reschedule.
  - 1. PAT will notify the physician's office of the cancellation and reason for cancellation. Recommendation is to postpone surgery for 14 days or until symptoms are resolved.
  - 2. PAT nurse will inform Scheduling to cancel elective procedure.
- D. Patients not screen by phone will be screened upon arrival to Ambulatory Care Unit (ACU). If patient answers "yes" to any of the questions, patient notified their elective surgery is canceled.
  - 1. ACU nurse will notify physician elective procedure canceled and reason for cancellation.
  - 2. ACU nurse will notify procedure area elective procedure canceled.

## REFERENCE

## ATTACHMENTS

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### Attachments

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