

COVID-19 RESPONSE POLICY/PROTOCOL

TITLE	Bozeman Health Healthcare Personnel (HCP) Ex Under Investigation (PUI)	Personnel (HCP) Exposure to a confirmed COVID-19 or Person	
TODAY'S DATE			
SECTION	Organization Wide		
	☐ Emergency Department		
	☐Inpatient ☐Ambulatory		
	□ Nursing □ Medical staff [physicial	ans and advance care practitioners]	
APPLICABLE	All Bozeman Health locations		
LOCATIONS	Bozeman Health Deaconess		
	Hospital		
	☐ Big Sky Medical Center		
	Belgrade Clinic + UrgentCare		
	Hillcrest Senior Living		
	b2 UrgentCare		
	b2 MicroCare		
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PURPWOSE: This document provides procedure and guidance during the COVID-19 pandemic when a HealthCare Personnel (HCP) has exposure to a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 individual or Person Under Investigation (PUI).

DEFINITIONS:

Healthcare Personnel: For the purposes of this document, Healthcare Personnel (HCP) refers to all employees, faculty, temporary workers, trainees, volunteers, students, and Medical Staff working in Bozeman Health patient care or clinical areas.

Person Under Investigation (PUI): Individual with COVID-19 Symptoms without laboratory confirmation of the disease.

Symptoms: This refers to COVID-19 specifically and defined by viral symptoms (i.e. cough, shortness of breath, runny nose, sore throat, unexplained muscle aches, loss of smell, or headache) AND / OR fevers (without an obvious reason like a kidney infection)

Direct Patient Care: HCP performing patient care within 6 feet of a patient for 3 minutes or more

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): Specialized clothing or equipment, worn by a HCP for protection against infectious materials

Aerosolized / High Risk Procedures: See Table 1 below. These procedures require specialized PPE while performing patient care. Only specific HCP who are technically trained should perform these procedures.

Self Monitoring: HCP should monitor themselves for Symptoms (described above) and taking their temperature twice a day.



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Active Monitoring: State or Local Public Health Authority may assume responsibility for establishing regular communication with potentially exposed people to assess for Symptoms.

High-Risk Patients: Defined in the setting of Covid-19 pandemic as patients over the age of 65, pre-existing such as pulmonary disease, cardiac disease, dialysis, active cancer, transplant patients, immunosuppressive therapies, uncontrolled HIV, cirrhosis, pregnant, newborn, long-term care facility resident, homeless, and/or incarcerated

TABLE 1. Aerosolized and High-Risk Procedures		
Intubation / Extubation		
Bronchoscopy		
Open Suctioning		
Nebulized Treatment		
Manual Ventilation before Intubation		
Physical Proning of Patient		
Disconnecting Patient from Ventilator		
Non-invasive Positive Pressure Ventilation (i.e. BIPAP, CPAP, HHFNC)		
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation		
Trauma		
Chest Tube Placement, Thoracotomy, Lung Biopsy / Ablation, Bronchial Artery Embolization		
Endoscopic, Intranasal, or Oral Procedures		
Tracheostomy, Tracheotomy, or Cricothyrotomy		
Nasopharyngeal Specimen Procurement		

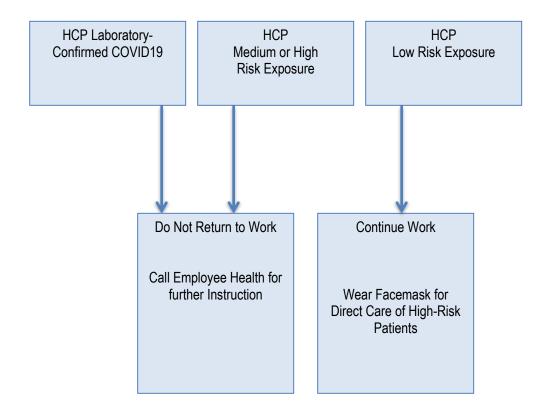
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All Bozeman Health HCP should adhere to hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene, and cough etiquette and follow appropriate PPE recommendations. The following categories can be used to provide guidance to HCP with known diagnosis or Exposure to PUI/COVID-19 positive individual:

- 1. HCP with Laboratory-confirmed COVID-19
- 2. High-Risk Exposure to PUI/ COVID-19 positive individual: HCP not wearing appropriate PPE in a patient room during an aerosolized or high-risk procedure
- 3. Medium-High Risk Exposure to PUI/ COVID-19 positive individual: HCP not wearing appropriate PPE while performing direct patient care within 6 feet for prolonged period of time
- 4. Low Risk Exposure to PUI/ COVID-19 positive individual:
 - A. Casual interaction >6 ft proximity
 - B. HCP wearing appropriate PPE while performing direct patient care



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Ordering Providers should report positive COVID19 confirmed patients to the Public Health Department. HCP undergoing active monitoring by the State or Local Public Health Authority should follow their instruction. HCP should be evaluated by Employee Health to determine appropriateness of returning to work. Non-Employee and Non-Medical Staff should call COVID19 hotline for guidance.

Employee Health 406-595-2295 / 406-414-5566 COVID19 Hotline 406-414-2619 Public Health Department 406-582-3100