

Clinical Brief #11 | COVID-19

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In an effort to keep you current about AdventHealth's response to COVID-19, clinical leaders are providing frequent updates to all clinicians. The following topics are included in this brief:

INFORMATION FOR ALL CLINICIANS

- End-of-Life Visitation COVID-19 Policy
- Care of Deceased COVID-19 Policy
- Glucomanager for ICU COVID-19 Expansion
- PowerPlan (PP) changes

INFORMATION FOR CLINICAL LEADERSHIP

- Critical Care Staffing Surge Models
- Amendment to Disinfection of N95 Respirators Policy
- Guidance for Elective Surgical Procedures during COVID-19
- LENS Virtual Incident Command Center
- Leader Talking Points – Isolation Gowns

5:00 pm April 7 COVID-19 Situation Report

*Based on COVID-19 Power BI Dashboard data

COVID-19	CFD	WFD	MSD
Total Confirmed	687	70	83
Currently Inpatient	93	13	19
Total Negative Tests	7,061	1,065	677
Current PUI	105	78	44

INFORMATION FOR ALL CLINICIANS

New Systemwide Visitation Policy

Per the [new, systemwide Visitation Policy](#) during the COVID-19 pandemic and CDC guidance, all visitors are restricted. Exceptions are as follows:

1. Patients under the age of 18 may be accompanied by one adult visitors
2. Obstetric patients may be accompanied by one adult visitor

3. Patients at end of life, including those with suspected/confirmed COVID-19
4. Other, extraordinary circumstances as approved by campus leadership (House Supervisor) and on a case-by-case basis

Care of Deceased COVID-19 Policy

The [Care of Deceased Policy for suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patients](#) is based on CDC guidance and outlines the safe and proper methods for notification of death, viewing of decedent by family/legally authorized person, preparation of transportation, transportation and release to funeral home.

Glucomander Planning for ICU COVID-19 Expansion

Individual facility Clinical Leaders should evaluate their pandemic plan and determine if they wish to add the *GM IV software* to those expanded ICUs, or whether they prefer to use physician directed IV insulin with the *Insulin IV Infusion SubPhase* based on the considerations detailed [in this document](#).

PowerPlan (PP) Changes

A new **COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma Infusion PowerPlan** is available in iExtend. iConnect availability is under development.

For patients requiring thrombolytics rather than percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI): Due to drug shortage, **alteplase (Activase)** is an approved substitution for **tenecteplase (TNKase)**. [Alteplase PowerPlans](#) have been updated in iExtend, no update required for iConnect, as it already includes the use of alteplase.

INFORMATION FOR CLINICAL LEADERSHIP

Critical Care Staffing Surge Models

The [Physician, Registered Nurse, and Respiratory Therapist](#) COVID-19 tiered staffing models represent a framework to guide a team-based approach to ICU staffing. The models integrate experienced ICU staff with reassigned hospital staff members in the following staffing phases:

- Conventional Staffing: Phase I
- Contingency Staffing: Phase II
- Crisis Staffing: Phase III

Amendment to Disinfection of N95 Respirators Policy

Surfacide has updated its process to increase its cycling treatment time from 5 minutes to 30 minutes per side of the N95 respirator. This revision is based on data from Surfacide suggesting that a higher energy dose will result in greater and more effective decontamination of N95 respirators.

This change is reflected in the [updated Disinfection of Disposable N95 Masks Policy](#).

Guidance for Elective Surgical Procedures during COVID-19

In order to prepare for the surge, elective procedures have been deferred. Attached are the CMS and ACS Adult Elective Surgery and Procedure Recommendations, adopted by AdventHealth.

Please [use this guidance](#) and your attending physician's clinical judgment in deferring elective surgeries and procedures.

LENS Virtual Incident Command Center (LENS VICC)

AdventHealth hospital leadership can opt to use the virtual LENS Incident Command Center (LICC) to support their operations, structure and communication as they manage with the COVID-19 pandemic. Several AdventHealth facilities are already using these intuitive digital interfaces, which promote rapid identification of issues and risks and provide real-time key data to manage patient care and much, much more. To learn more about the board and what some AdventHealth facilities are doing, you may watch this short video [here](#).

Also [attached is a letter that explain LENS VICC in further detail and the next steps](#) to implement a LENS VICC at your facility. Installation takes roughly 48 hours and comes at zero cost to your facility.

Leader Talking Points – Isolation Gowns

Leaders may be facing reasonable questions from their teams around the use, reuse and extended use of gowns and isolation gowns. The following [FAQ resource](#) is a tool to help address those questions.

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We encourage you to take care of yourself, your families and each other as we move through this ongoing response to COVID-19.

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Online

[Novel Coronavirus Information Site](#)

[AdventHealth Coronavirus Website | Videos | Blog](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)

Department of Health: [Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Kansas, Kentucky, Texas, Wisconsin](#)

Worldwide Coronavirus Data: [Johns Hopkins' global cases webpage](#)

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