

# COVID-19 positive/High Clinical Suspicion admissions at UTMC

Effective immediately- 6/8/2021

1. Admissions:
  - Will go to a negative pressure room on the appropriate unit/level of care.
    - A. Stepdown 3109, 3111
    - B. ICU 3223, 3225, 3227, 3229
  - Surge COVID Unit 3D
    - A. 3176, 3177, 3178, 3179, 3180, 3188, 3189
2. Follow all isolation procedures for COVID-19.
  - Use proper donning/Doffing, N95 masks, Eye protection
3. Nurse assigned can care for normal assignment.
  - Manage assignments to avoid caregiver from caring for another immune compromised patient (e.g., chemo)
  - Minimize number of staff caring for patient in isolation
  - Ensure assigned nurse was mask fit tested and had COVID-19 PPE training
4. Opening the Surge COVID Unit, at the discretion of the CNO/ House Supervisors.
  - Reasons:
    - A. Unable to admit COVID-19 patients due to lack of available negative pressure rooms
    - B. Surge of COVID-19 positive patients in our community requiring hospitalization