## **COVID-19 Clinical Care Council**

## END OF LIFE VISIT GUIDE FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE CMO & COVID-19 POSITIVE

- 1) Contact the Nurse Manager for the unit the patient is located for visitor exception approval
  - a) The visit can be requested by the Provider, Nurse Manager or Palliative Care Team
  - b) The approval will be sent directly from the Nurse Manager to the individual who requested the visit
- 2) Contact the family to schedule a time for the visit once approval is received
  - a) A maximum of 2 family members are allowed for a single visit
  - b) The visit is a maximum of 30 minutes
  - c) Review that PPE will need to be worn throughout the visit (staff will assist with donning/doffing)
  - d) Review that on hospital arrival, family members will be screened in the lobby and can then head to the unit
- 3) Visit Process Review Prior to Room Entry / Donning PPE
  - a) Attire must stay on for the length of the family visit
  - b) Assist family with donning PPE prior to room entry
    - i) Gown, surgical mask, eye protection & gloves
  - c) Review process for gown and glove removal in the room at the end of the visit (laminated guide available)
  - d) Staff will continue assistance with the doffing process outside of the patient room
  - e) Provide family with laminated guide when they enter patient room
  - f) Remind family to use call light if they need any assistance
- 4) In Room Visit
  - a) Monitor family in room as able to maintain patient and family safety (i.e. PPE remains in place)
  - b) If after 30 minutes the family has not moved toward the patient door, knock softly on the door to remind the family that it's time to exit
  - c) Monitor family and provide cues as needed for doffing gown and gloves in patient room as able
    - i) Hand hygiene, gown & glove removal, hand hygiene
- 5) Exiting Patient Room
  - a) Ensure door closure
  - b) Have family members perform hand hygiene
  - c) Assist family members with eye protection and mask doffing followed by hand hygiene
    - i) Eye protection removal, hand hygiene, mask removal, hand hygiene, place on new surgical mask
  - d) Clean the laminated guide with hospital approved wipe following the appropriate wet time
- 6) Departure a. Assist family members with exit to main lobby

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