Testing for SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) is now available and can be ordered in ORCA under “COVID-19 Coronavirus Qualitative PCR” and lab test code “NCVQLT”. As other respiratory viruses including influenza are circulating in the community, we recommend that testing for SARS-CoV-2 be ordered in conjunction with our currently available extended respiratory viral panel PCR for patients with respiratory symptoms in selected circumstances. Based on lab testing capacity and as changes in community transmission patterns occur, we will update these guidelines accordingly.

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| Respiratory symptoms WITH OR WITHOUT fever | YES – High Risk Patients  
• All transplant/ IMTX  
• All hematologic malignancy  
• Active chemotherapy  
• Neutropenia (ANC <500)  
• > 0.5 mg/kg/day prednisone equivalent  
• Age ≥ 60  
• Lung cancer, chronic lung disease (e.g. COPD)  
• Patients staying at SCCA or Pete Gross House | YES – High Risk Patients  
• All transplant/ IMTX  
• All hematologic malignancy | Mask patient and place in private room |
| | YES | YES | Droplet/ Contact Precautions |
| Chest CT with ground glass opacities with either fever OR new onset respiratory symptoms | YES | YES | Droplet/ Contact Precautions |

*Respiratory symptoms include: cough, shortness of breath, wheezing or chest tightness, nasal congestion, runny nose, sore throat, myalgias

Updated March 13, 2020
Specimen collection:

1. A single nasopharyngeal swab can be used to collect specimen for BOTH SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) and Extended Respiratory Viral Panel PCR test. The specimen should be collected using Viral/Universal Transport media.

2. A saline wash is **NO LONGER** recommended prior to specimen collection in order to minimize aerosol/droplet generation.