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I. STATEMENT OF THE POLICY

This policy shall help the healthcare workers in the management of these patients who were sent from the OPD after triaging to limit the spread of infection in the area.

II. GUIDELINES

1. All patients with possible symptoms of COVID infection or who came for High Risk areas shall be evaluated in the designated area near the emergency room (COVID ER tent).
2. This is a temporary COVID Suspect area and shall be manned by:
 - 2.1 Adult Cardio fellow-on-duty
 - 2.2 Adult Pulmo fellow-on-duty
 - 2.3 Pedia Cardio fellow-on-duty
 - 2.4 Pedia Pulmo fellow-on-duty
 - 2.5 ER Nurse on duty
3. Proper PPE shall be donned at all times.
4. Another Triaging shall be made in this area to determine the need for admission, need diagnostic work-up only and out-patient management.
5. All patients' information shall be registered in this area.
6. Patients needing admission or diagnostic work-up prior to final disposition shall be sent to the COVID-ER.
7. Patients' not needing admission shall be managed at this area prior to their discharge.
8. Before discharge, appropriate instructions shall be given to all patients and/or relative which includes:
 - 8.1 Instructions for quarantine if warranted.
 - 8.2 Medications or diagnostic tests instructions.
 - 8.3 Out-patient schedule for next follow-up.

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