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	POLICY	
	PEDIATRIC COVID-Positive Patients and Suspects	

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1. All patients seen in the emergency room with history of travel and/or symptoms of cough/colds, sore throat, fever and diarrhea shall be treated as COVID suspect depending on symptoms
2. All private and service patient without cardiac decompensation or needing immediate intervention shall be transfer to COVID hospital
3. Ambulance calls will be limited to employees, PPE shall be provided,
4. If patient can not be transferred to referral centers,
 - 4.1 A stable COVID suspect shall be admitted to the COVID ward with a pediatric nurse to handle the case and under the COVID Pedia Team.
 - 4.2 A COVID suspect - SARI OR CRITICAL shall be admitted
At Pedia Isolation (PICU)

ONLY ONE Caretaker will be allowed who is considered a COVID suspect on regular mask

5. The PEDIA COVID TEAM shall be composed of the Pedia Covid Core Team and the Pedia COVID Strike Team

A. PEDIA COVID CORE TEAM:

1. Pediatric Infectious Disease – ICP Team Leader
2. Pedia Cardiology
3. Pediatric Pulmo Service
4. Pedia Critical Care
5. PTC – Pharmacy and Therapeutics Chairman

B. PEDIA COVID STRIKE TEAM shall be composed of

1. Pediatric Cardiologist
2. Pediatric Pulmonologist,
3. Pediatric intensivist
4. For Private patients, referral will be upon the discretion of the attending physician
5. The team shall be in charged of the management of COVID patients
 - 5.1 Referral to Pediatric Intensivist shall be activated if severe COVID 19 illness or severe acute respiratory infection
 - 5.2 For non-critical patients, the consultant should make rounds at least once a day to alternate with Pedia Pulmonary consultant by call or with PPE as necessary
 - 5.3 All critical patients shall be referred to the pediatric intensivist.

6. The PIDSP algorithm shall be followed in the management of Pedia COVID patients.

7. If medications and other logistics are not available in the hospital, concern should be coursed through the Medical branch head and the ICP.

9. Only the COVID-19 Team are authorized to escalate or de-escalate COVID -19 positive patients and suspect.