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PURPOSE:

To discuss the isolation guidelines in the Laboratory Unit and prevent the spread of Covid-19 infection.

LEVEL:

CRO, Guard, Triage Nurse Medical Technologist, Assessment Clerk, Cashier

DEFINITION OF TERMS:

Isolation- separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick

POLICY:

- 1. All patients for Isolation Blood Extraction shall be interviewed and assessed by the triage nurse before registration and payment.
- 2. The patient or an authorized watcher accompanying the patient shall truthfully complete the triaging process.
- 3. Doctor's request shall be presented for proper assessment.
- 4. The assessment and payment processes shall be duly facilitated by the OPD nurse or CRO in charge.
- 5. All Isolation blood extraction procedures shall be scheduled between 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. everyday.
- Wearing of Proper Personnel Protective Equipment (PPE) shall be strictly observed during blood extraction.



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- 7. Proper hand hygiene shall be observed to avoid the spread of infection.
- 8. The patient and watcher shall be required to wear surgical masks with full face shields when availing the service.
- 9. Isolation laboratory procedures shall be done ONLY in the designated area.
- 10. The standard TAT for the releasing of results both thru online and hard copy issuance shall be observed.

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PURPOSE:

To discuss the isolation guidelines in the Laboratory Unit and prevent the spread of Covid-19 infection.

SCOPE:

Applies to all Laboratory Unit staff of Una Konsulta

PERSON RESPONSIBLE:

CRO, Guard, Triage Nurse, Medical Technologist, Assessment Clerk, Cashier

PROCEDURE:

- 1. Call/Inform the Laboratory personnel.
 - 1.1. The patient/watcher/outpatient nurse shall call or inform the Reception/Laboratory personnel of the request for Laboratory procedures for a patient suspected with Covid-19 infection or in isolation.
 - 1.2. For walk-in clients, the patient or his/her authorized watcher shall proceed to the triage prior to processing of payment to the cashier.
- 2. All patients shall pass by the Triage Area.
 - 2.1. Present the doctor's request and comply with the triage process.
- 3. Assessment and payment:
 - 3.1. the Triage Nurse/ CRO shall facilitate the payment transactions for the patient.
 - 3.2. the Assessment Clerk processing the assessment should ensure that the details and contact number of the patient are correct and updated.
 - 3.3. the Cashier processes the payment for the laboratory test(s).
- 4. Instructs the patient to proceed to the isolation extraction area.
- 5. Medical Technologist prepares for blood extraction.



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- 6. Medical Technologist wears the appropriate PPE required before taking any Isolation Patient.
- 7. The Medical Technologist shall instruct the patient/watcher of the Result Turn-Around-Time (TAT), to include instructions on how to retrieve their result on line through the RMCI patient Portal.
- 8. After blood extraction, one (1) Medical Technologist will assist the Medical Technologist from Isolation in performing donning of PPE to ensure that they perform it correctly.
- 9. Medical Technologist returns to the Laboratory for segregation and processing of specimen.
- 10. Strictly observe hand washing before and after the procedure.



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	KEY TASKS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
1.	Calls/informs the Laboratory personnel of the request for Laboratory procedures for a patient suspected with Covid-19 infection or in isolation	Patient/ Watcher/ Outpatient Nurse
2.	Passes by the triage area	Patient
3.	Facilitates the assessment and payment for the procedure/ laboratory tests	Triage Nurse/ CRO/ Assess- ment Clerk
4.	Facilitates the payment for the procedure/ laboratory tests	Cashier
5.	Instructs the patient to proceed to the isolation extraction area	Triage Nurse/ CRO
6.	Prepares for blood extraction	Medical Technologist
7.	Wears the appropriate PPE required before taking any isolation patient	Medical Technologist
8.	Instructs the patient/ watcher of the Result Turn-Around-Time (TAT), includes instructions on how to retrieve their result online through the RMCI patient Portal	Medical Technologist
9.	Performs doffing with assistance from another Medical Technologist	Medical Technologist
10	. Returns to the Laboratory for segregation and processing of specimen	Medical Technologist

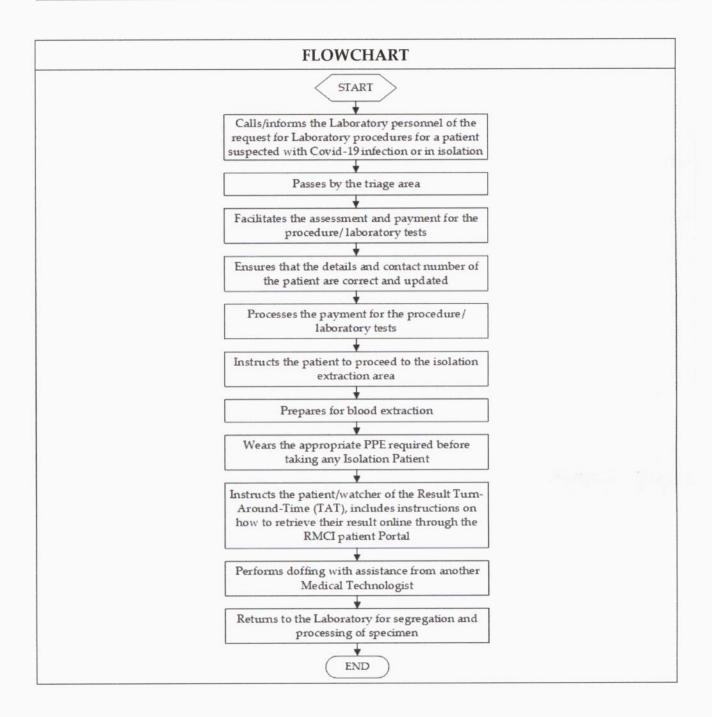


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