Algorithm for OB Patient Screening

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Patient Arrives at Labor & Delivery

Staff asks screening questions
• No patient contact
• Bypass normal registration
• Patient wearing street clothes
• Employee wearing work clothes

Does patient answer “yes” to either question?
• Any answer other than a definitive “no” is a “yes”

YES

Follow normal clinical process

NO

Staff asks patient to put on mask
• No patient contact
• Standard surgical mask
• Patient now wearing mask
• Employee wearing work clothes
• Nurse-assisted bedside registration

Staff escorts patient to room (keep 3-foot distance from patient)
• No patient contact
• Patient now wearing mask
• Employee wearing work clothes
• Use room with toilet, commode chair or near restroom
• Place family in secondary room

Check for these alternate scenarios:

If patient requires assistance getting to room
• No patient contact
• Patient now wearing mask
• Screener must wear Screening PPE, per Screening PPE protocol

If patient must use restroom outside of isolation room
• No patient contact
• Patient now wearing mask
• Quarantine restroom and hallway
• Secure until clear

OB staff nurse asks questions from Part B or the Ebola Screening and Risk Assessment Form via phone
• No patient contact
• Patient now wearing mask
• No lab specimens are taken
• Screener must wear Screening PPE, per Screening PPE protocol, if they enter the room
• Staff gives disposable thermometer to patient and asks them to take temperature (does not go in room or touch patient)
• If patient answers yes to any question, screener asks for demographic information:
  – Name of suspected Ebola patient with whom you came in contact
  – Contact information for that person

Screener calls Infection Control to report results
• CTX: 254-762-0348
• NTX: Contact ICP member from contact list

ICP calls local Health Dept. and confers with local ID medical director

Health Dept. determines need for Ebola test

Is test required?
• Follow normal clinical process

NO

YES

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Is delivery imminent?

- **YES**
  - Do not touch the patient until Treatment PPE is donned per protocol
    - Once Treatment PPE is donned, perform vaginal delivery and keep infant newborn with mom for normal newborn care, or place in second room for NICU treatment (Do not take infant to newborn or NICU)
    - If Cesarean section is necessary:
      - Don Treatment PPE
      - Place mask on patient
      - Clear path to ICU, per Intra-transport process
      - OB performs Cesarean section utilizing least number of personnel to safely care for patient and infant (ex. L&D RN, ICU RN)
      - Have NICU RN or Neonatal Nurse Practitioner donned in Treatment PPE outside of room in case intensive intervention with infant becomes necessary
      - Patient stays in ICU room and infant stays with mom unless intensive care is needed for the infant
      - There should be an ISTAT for each patient
      - If infant needs NICU care, place in second room (Do not take infant to newborn or NICU)
      - Notify regarding need to decontaminate hallway and ICU. Secure room until decontamination is complete.

- **NO**
  - Patient transferred per protocol to ICU with Treatment PPE or to another location per Health Department
  - See algorithms for Patient Transport