Algorithm for Patient Screening

Patient arrives at any facility, any entry point. 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”

Follow normal clinical process

YES

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
- No patient contact
- Patient now wearing mask
- Employee wearing work clothes
- Screener may don Screening PPE, per protocol
- Use room with toilet, commode chair or near restroom
- Place family in separate room

Check for these alternate scenarios:

If patient requires assistance getting to room
- No patient contact
- Patient now wearing mask
- Screener must don 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

If Ebola Screening and Risk Assessment For Part B Risk cannot be done remotely (outside the room)
- No patient contact
- Patient now wearing mask
- Screener must don Screening PPE, per Screening PPE protocol

Screener asks questions from Part B of the Ebola Screening and Risk Assessment Form
- No patient contact
- Patient now wearing mask
- No lab specimens are taken
- Screener wears Screening PPE if they enter the room
- Screener gives disposable thermometer to patient and asks them to take temperature
- 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 doffs Screening PPE (if applicable), while in patient room, per Screening PPE protocol
- No patient contact
- Patient now wearing mask
- Observer must watch doffing
  - If break in protocol, follow PPE Breach protocol
- Screener performs hand hygiene

Screener calls Infection Control to report results
- CTX: 254-762-0348
- NTX: Contact ICP member from contact list; HTPN clinics call 214-820-3456

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

YES

NO

See Algorithms for Patient Transport

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