

## How to handle PUI for Covid19

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### Pre op

- Using standard PPE (Gloves, apron, N95 mask), do your preoperative visit to the patient and complete the Covid19 Anaesthetic screening tool to assess patient risk
  - Discard your apron and gloves before leaving the ward
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### Peri op

- Prepare theatre for patient and inform theatre staff that the next case is PUI
  - Clear theatre of all non essential equipment.
  - Send porter for patient wearing standard PPE
  - Sister must check consent before leaving ward
  - Decide on Hot and non-hot team members while porter is away
  - Patient arrives and goes immediately to theatre, where handover occurs
  - All staff members leave theatre except anaesthetic team
  - Induction and airway management according to induction guidelines
  - If possible, wait 20 minutes after intubation before reintroducing surgical team to theatre
  - After surgery, extubate according to extubation guidelines
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### Post op

- Patient recovered in theatre by scrub sister and anaesthetist
- Patient returned to ward from operating theatre