

Mission Peds/PICU Guidance for COVID19

COHORTING: Patients should be cohorted physically and with respect to nursing care when possible. If multiple COVID+ patients are admitted, those patients should be grouped together and cared for by the same nurse if possible to minimize exposure. In PICU, prefer G331 (if negative pressure needed) & G332. On Peds, G319 (if negative pressure needed) and G318-G315. Assigned nurse should attempt to stay at the same workstation throughout the day.

ADMISSION LABS: For any patient requiring supplemental oxygen, obtain CBC w/ differential, CRP, ESR, CMP, LDH, Ferritin, D-dimer, PT/INR, PTT, fibrinogen, Type and Screen, Pregnancy test if appropriate

UNIT PLACEMENT: Patients requiring 4L of oxygen and greater or any signs of hemodynamic instability should be admitted to the PICU.

TREATMENT:

Mild disease	<i>Supportive care.</i>	
<p>Moderate disease (requiring supplemental oxygen)</p> <p><i>Utilize the "PD Pediatric COVID-19 and MIS-C" PowerPlan</i></p>	<i>Consider in combination with Remdesivir:</i> Dexamethasone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 0.15 mg/kg/dose IV or PO daily for up to 10 days. Max dose 6 mg per dose. • May discontinue at discharge or when no longer requiring supplemental O2.
	<i>Consider:</i> Remdesivir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FDA approved for hospitalized patients ≥12 years of age weighing ≥40kg. Patients <12 years OR <40kg are eligible to receive Remdesivir via the FDA's EUA process. (Lower age/weight limit: 7 days; 3.5kg) Provide family with FDA Fact Sheet for Health Care Providers PROVIDER DOCUMENTATION OF RECEIPT REQUIRED FOR EUA. • Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 5mg/kg IV x 1 (max dose 200 mg), then 2.5 mg/kg IV daily (max dose 100 mg) for 5-10 days. ○ Use the pediatric subplan to order Remdesivir: PD Pediatric Remdesivir for Coronavirus 19 (COVID-19) Subplan (System) • OK to discontinue prior to day 5 if off oxygen and ready for discharge. • Side effects are elevated LFTs and GI upset. Follow serial LFTs to monitor for side effects.
	<i>Consider:</i> Lovenox <i>* Consider heme/onc consult</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prophylactic: 0.5 mg/kg SQ q12h (max dose 50 mg) ○ Treatment: 1 mg/kg SQ q12h • Use the following order set to order Lovenox: "PD Pediatric COVID-19 and MIS-C" PowerPlan • Consider continuation of anticoagulation therapy for 30 days or until mobile

<p>Severe disease (requiring HFNC, NIV, invasive ventilation or other organ failure)</p> <p><i>Utilize the "PD Pediatric COVID-19 and MIS-C" PowerPlan</i></p>	<p><i>All patients:</i> Dexamethasone</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.15 mg/kg/dose IV or PO daily for up to 10 days. Max dose 6 mg per dose. <p>May discontinue at discharge or when no longer requiring supplemental O2.</p>
	<p><i>Consider in combination with dexamethasone:</i> Remdesivir</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FDA approved for hospitalized patients ≥12 years of age weighing ≥40kg. Patients <12 years OR <40kg are eligible to receive Remdesivir via the FDA's EUA process. (Lower age/weight limit: 7 days; 3.5kg) Provide family with FDA Fact Sheet for Health Care Providers PROVIDER DOCUMENTATION OF RECEIPT REQUIRED FOR EUA. Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5mg/kg IV x 1 (max dose 200 mg), then 2.5 mg/kg IV daily (max dose 100 mg) for 5-10 days. Use the pediatric subplan to order Remdesivir: PD Pediatric Remdesivir for Coronavirus 19 (COVID-19) Subplan (System) OK to discontinue prior to day 5 if off oxygen and ready for discharge. Side effects are elevated LFTs and GI upset. Follow serial LFTs to monitor for side effects. <i>Not</i> recommended for patients requiring intubation/mechanical ventilation
	<p><i>Consider in combination with dexamethasone:</i> Baricitinib</p> <p><i>Must be administered within 3 days of hospital admission</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EUA has been issued for children ≥2 years. Provide family with FDA fact sheet: https://www.fda.gov/media/143824/download Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children ≥9 years: 4mg daily oral up to 14 days Children 2-8 years: 2mg daily oral up to 14 days Side effects include elevated LFTs, thrombosis. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Required baseline labs: ALT, CBC, Hcb, SCr Baricitinib is not recommended if ALT>400, ALC<200, ANC<500, Hgb<8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> These are not definitive cutoffs, therapy may be temporarily held or continued with provider discretion If CBC and LFTs are normal at baseline, labs do not need to be repeated unless clinically indicated If CBC and LFTs are abnormal at baseline or during therapy, recommend follow up labs every 3 days SCr should be monitored every 3 days to adjust dose appropriately based on eGFR
	<p><i>Consider in combination with dexamethasone:</i> Tocilizumab</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EUA has been issued for children ≥2 years. Provide family with FDA fact sheet: https://www.fda.gov/media/150320/download Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8mg/kg IV once (max dose 800mg)

	<i>Must be administered within 3 days of hospital admission</i>	<i>*For patients requiring intubation/mechanical ventilation, give dexamethasone PLUS IV tocilizumab within 24 hours of admission to the PICU*</i>
	Consider: Convalescent Plasma <i>*May consider ID consult</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended via FDA's EUA process in clinical trial setting. Provide family with EUA Fact Sheet for Patients and Caregivers . PROVIDER DOCUMENTATION OF RECEIPT REQUIRED. See attached document: HCA North Carolina Division Guidance for Convalescent Plasma Use – Pediatrics. CONSENTS: Mission Blood Consent AND Secondary Consent for Convalescent Plasma are required. (Can also be obtained from the print shop MHS-00001-222-0920) Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weight based dosing of 10 mL/kg Put "Covid-19 convalescent plasma" in order comments
	Prone positioning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prone positioning should be done at least 12 hours/day
	<i>All patients: Lovenox</i> <i>* Consider heme/onc consult</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dosing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prophylactic: 0.5 mg/kg SQ q12h (max dose 50 mg) Treatment: 1 mg/kg SQ q12h Use the following order set to order Lovenox: "PD Pediatric COVID-19 and MIS-C" PowerPlan Consider continuation of anticoagulation therapy for 30 days or until mobile

PPE – All COVID+/PUI patients require full PPE including eye protection, gown, gloves, and fit-tested N-95 mask. **You may obtain green scrubs to wear during your shift if you are caring for a COVID+ patient. Eye protection is required for all patient care, regardless of COVID or PUI status.**

Any patient with suspected or confirmed COVID-19	Fit tested N95 or PAPR plus eye protection, gown, and gloves
Any patient with confirmed <i>non</i>-COVID respiratory infections (i.e. RSV) during or within 30 minutes of an AGP	Fit tested N95 or PAPR plus eye protection, gown, and gloves
Any patient receiving any other aerosol-generating procedures (AGPs: NIV, CPR, open suctioning of airways, intubation and extubation, sputum induction)	N95 or PAPR plus eye protection, gown, and gloves
All other patient encounters	Level 1, 2, or 3 mask or non-fit tested N95 mask with eye protection
<i>All patients and family members should wear a level 1 mask when outside their room or when a healthcare worker enters their room</i>	

- Utilize brown paper bags to store N-95 for your shift. You can cut the bag to make it shorter, making it easier to access your mask. If you are going to multiple COVID+ rooms, you may leave your mask and eye protection on (change gown and gloves).



- It is recommended to wear a full face shield in COVID+ rooms to help protect the N-95. If you do this, you do not need to wear a level 3 over your N-95. If you do decide to wear a level 3, this mask should be specific to this purpose. If you are wearing a level 3 mask while at the nursing station, it should be a different (clean) level 3.

COVID-19 Discharge process/education:

Provide education on signs/symptoms of DVT (swelling, pain, redness, warmth). This document can be attached to the patient's discharge to provide education on DVTs: [DVT \(Deep Vein Thrombosis\): General Info](#)

AAP Back to Play Recommendations: Educate families that patients who have tested positive for COVID-19 should refrain from exercise until asymptomatic for 14 days and have received clearance from the Primary Care Provider. (<https://services.aap.org/en/news-room/news-releases/aap/2020/american-academy-of-pediatrics-updates-guidance-on-returning-to-sports-activities/>)

Mission Peds/PICU MIS-C Management

MIS-C Case Definition: Individual less than 21 years with fever, and laboratory evidence of inflammation (ESR, CRP, d-dimer, ferritin, fibrinogen), severe illness requiring hospitalization and ≥2 organ systems involved; no alternative diagnosis and a positive COVID result, positive COVID antibodies, or exposure to a suspected or confirmed case within 4 weeks of onset of symptoms.

Consider MIS-C diagnosis for children with: fever, rash, GI upset, elevated inflammatory markers, conjunctivitis, red cracked lips, swelling of hands and feet, shock

Admission Placement: Patients should be admitted to the PICU for the following: evidence of shock *after* 40mL/kg fluid resuscitation, cardiac dysfunction on echocardiogram or moderately elevated BNP or troponin levels.

Transfer to ECMO facility if patient fails standard therapy or displays arrhythmias and/or moderate cardiac dysfunction.

TREATMENT:

	Labs/Diagnostics	Consults/Monitoring	Treatments
<p>Suspected MIS-C</p> <p><i>Utilize the “PD Pediatric COVID-19 and MIS-C” PowerPlan</i></p>	<p>Labs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBC • CRP/ESR • CMP • LDH • PT/PTT • D-dimer • Fibrinogen • Ferritin • Troponin • BNP • COVID PCR • COVID antibody • Infectious labs including blood and urine culture if sepsis suspected <p>Diagnostic Studies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EKG • Consider ECHO 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider cardiology and/or ID consult • Telemetry • Follow serial labs daily or as needed to monitor response to treatment 	<p><i>Consider:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solumedrol: 2 mg/kg day (then taper over 3 weeks) <p style="text-align: center;">AND/OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IVIg: 2 gm/kg/dose x1 (maximum 100 gm/dose). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May divide dose 1g/kg daily for 2 days in the setting of concern for volume overload. • Aspirin: 3-5 mg/kg/day; max 81 mg/day. Avoid if platelet count ≤80K • <i>Consider adding a proton pump inhibitor for patients receiving steroids + aspirin to decrease risk for GI bleed</i>

<p style="text-align: center;">Confirmed MIS-C</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Utilize the “PD Pediatric COVID-19 and MIS-C” PowerPlan</i></p>	<p>Labs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBC • CRP/ESR • CMP • LDH • PT/PTT • D-dimer • Fibrinogen • Ferritin • Troponin • BNP • COVID PCR • COVID antibody • Blood culture • Urinalysis/urine culture <p>Diagnostic Studies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EKG • Echocardiogram 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider cardiology and/or ID consult • Telemetry • Follow serial labs daily or as needed to monitor response to treatment 	<p><u>First line:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solumedrol: 2 mg/kg day (then taper over 3 weeks). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May consider increasing to 10mg/kg dose x1 for moderate disease AND • IVIG: 2 gm/kg/dose x1 (maximum 100 gm/dose). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May divide dose 1g/kg daily for 2 days in the setting of concern for volume overload. AND • Aspirin: 3-5 mg/kg/day; max 81 mg/day. Avoid if platelet count \leq80K • <i>Consider adding a proton pump inhibitor for patients receiving steroids + aspirin to decrease risk for GI bleed</i> <p><u>Consider for severe disease:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High dose Solumedrol for severe disease: 30 mg/kg daily x 3 days and transfer to ECMO facility AND • Anakinra 1-2 mg/kg/day SC; May consider increasing up to a maximum of 10 mg/kg/day and transfer to ECMO facility for refractory cases
<p style="text-align: center;">Kawasaki’s Disease</p> <p><i><u>Diagnostics:</u></i> Fever \geq5 days plus 4 out of 5 of: -Changes in lips/oral cavities -Conjunctivitis -Rash -Erythema/edema of hands/feet -Lymphadenopathy > 1.5cm</p>	<p>Labs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBC • CRP/ESR • CMP • LDH <p><i>Consider:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PT • PTT • D-dimer • Fibrinogen • Ferritin • Troponin • BNP • COVID PCR • COVID antibody <p>Diagnostic Studies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EKG • Echocardiogram 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardiology Consult • Telemetry Monitoring 	<p><u>First line:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IVIG: 2 gm/kg/dose x1 (maximum 70-100 gm/dose). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May consider repeating dose daily x1 for continued fever for 36h or worsening clinical condition. • Aspirin: 30-50 mg/kg/day divided q6h. Avoid if platelet count \leq80K <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Decrease to 3-5 mg/kg (max 81mg) daily once afebrile <p><u>Consider:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prednisone 1mg/kg BID for high risk or refractory cases • Anakinra 1-2 mg/kg/day SC; May consider increasing up to a maximum of 10 mg/kg/day and transfer to ECMO facility for refractory cases

MIS-C Discharge Considerations:

- Patients should have cardiology follow up within 2 weeks of discharge.
- AAP Return to Play guidelines for MIS-C: 3-6 months (<https://services.aap.org/en/news-room/news-releases/aap/2020/american-academy-of-pediatrics-updates-guidance-on-returning-to-sports-activities/>)

Resources:

CHOP clinical pathway: <https://www.chop.edu/clinical-pathway/covid-disease-clinical-pathway>

Cincinnati Children's: COVID-19 MIS-C Algorithm version 2.1

Duke Children's Hospital: Inpatient Management of Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C)

UNC Children's: Evaluation and Management of COVID-19 and Related Syndromes at UNC Children's

Levine Children's Hospital: COVID-19 Treatment Guidance – Pediatric Patients

NIH guidelines: <https://www.covid19treatmentguidelines.nih.gov>

American College Rheumatology: ACR COVID-19 Clinical Guidance Summary MIS-C Hyperinflammation