

Protected Code Pink

Who does this apply to?

- Babies born to patients who are either confirmed Covid-19 positive or PUI
- Babies under droplet precautions in the NICU
- Babies presenting in the ED in immediate medical distress (consider protected)

What are the key differences?

- Minimize personnel who enter the room in response to the code
- Minimize equipment that enters the room
- Ensure all personnel who enter the room are wearing appropriate PPE
- Importance of Traffic Leader (NICU TL/Charge nurse)
- Identified Safety Leader (NICU TL or any staff member)

How is it called?

- Code Pink button may be pushed in the room to activate response (note that this will not differentiate protected)
and/or
- Call 5555 and clarify it is a “Protected Code Pink” and location

Who needs to respond and what do they do?

Outside the room (total 2-4)	Inside the room (total 7 if needed)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety Leader (NICU TL/Charge Nurse/staff) • Staff Neonatologist (support lead remotely) • Runner (RN/RRT) • Traffic Leader (TL/Charge Nurse) 	<p style="text-align: center;">Minimum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead (MD/NP/RRT) • Airway (RRT) • Compressions • Documenter 	<p style="text-align: center;">Maximum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access/Medications (NP/MD) • Medication/Supplies (RN/RT) • Medication/Supplies (RN/RT)

What does the Traffic Leader do?

- Supports the team to minimize number of staff in the room and ensures only essential staff for the response or allows requested staff to enter the room.
- Delegates runner to retrieve supplies or set up equipment in alternate locations as necessary

What does the Safety Leader do?

- Ensures all staff entering the room don/doff their PPE appropriately. Identifies breaches to staff immediately to ensure safety. Possible unprotected contact with PUI/COVID to be reported directly to supervisor to ensure appropriate testing is done if necessary. If personnel unavailable staff are reminded to be a safety spotter/leader to each other.

What are the PPE requirements?

- Any staff entering the room must don N95 mask, face shield, gown and gloves
- All staff must individually doff with the support of the Safety Leader and corresponding checklist.
- If accompanying baby to another location, staff must doff gown and gloves, perform hand hygiene and redon a new set of clean gown and gloves (original N95 and face shield may stay on).
- For additional transport staff, transport PPE includes: face mask, shield, gown and gloves required (an N95 is not required for transport if no active aerosol-generating medical procedure)

What do we do when the code is completed?

- If moving the baby to another location, follow steps for Covid-19 admission to NICU
- Thoroughly clean Code Pink cart with accelerated hydrogen peroxide twice, letting it dry in between