Pre-Procedure Testing Workflow

Patient scheduled for Elective Surgery or Procedure & STAR assessment appointment
→ Physician office provides education to patient re: COVID and surgery
→ STAR RN calls to perform history assessment, provide patient education and schedule testing appointment for no more than 48 hours prior to procedure
→ **COVID symptoms at time of call?**
- **Yes** → Cancel procedure → Consult Physician for next steps → Contact patient with instructions as directed by physician
- **No** → Place order for pre-procedure diagnostics, including COVID-19 screening order (COVID order by way of protocol) → Educate patient re: COVID, universal masking and surgery → 24-48 hrs. prior to procedure, patient arrives at STAR testing site

Upon arrival, prior to entry:
- Implement universal masking
- Patient provided screening questionnaire at screening station

→ **Reporting COVID symptoms?**
- **Yes** → Mask patient and isolate or ask to wait in vehicle → **Stable?**
  - **No** → Safely transport patient to ED (Use 911 if necessary - Call ED prior to transport)
  - **Yes** → Cancel procedure → Contact physician for next steps → Send patient home with instructions as directed by physician
- **No** → Patient registration → Perform testing:
  1. EKG
  2. Labs
  3. Other
  4. NP Swab
  → Provide COVID, universal masking & surgery education materials → Send patient home to return day of surgery/procedure as directed → **Positive COVID Test?**
    - **Yes** → Cancel procedure → Contact physician to notify of result and cancel case → Patient contacted by physician and provided direction
    - **No** → Patient arrives at hospital day of surgery/procedure → Implement universal masking; Patient screened prior to entering procedure area → **Symptomatic?**
      - **Yes** → Mask patient and isolate or ask to wait in vehicle → Notify SS Charge RN → SS Charge RN cancel procedure & consult physician for next steps → Provide patient instructions per physician direction
      - **No** → Proceed with surgery/procedure

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