

**KEEPING ENDOSCOPY PATIENTS SAFE DURING COVID-19**

**AND BEYOND**

\*\*\*\*Customize where applicable and remove items that do not apply. Pay particular attention to "staff are routinely tested" and "staff have been vaccinated." Delete this note when complete.\*\*\*\*

**Facility Protocols**

* Minimize exposure from check in to check out
* Symptom screening of all people entering the facility
* Mandatory masking
* Social and physical distancing
* Online check-in
* Limitation of time in facility
* Limitation of visitors
* Continuous cleaning according to CDC, state, and local rules
* Hand hygiene
* Staff are routinely tested
* Staff have been vaccinated

**Endoscopy-specific Measures**

**What are we doing to be safe**

* Phone screening for symptoms, travel, contact with COVID-19 patients and more
* Prevention: limiting numbers of people in pre and post waiting areas
* Extended time between procedures
* Ventilation system updates (as needed)
* Rigorous, cleaning protocols including extra cleaning of high touch areas, CDC recommended

cleaning supplies

* Staff are screened daily
* Staff use appropriate personal protective equipment (e.g. masks, eye protection, gloves, gowns)
* Frequent hand washing
* Risk of COVID-19 spread during endoscopy is low

SAFETY MEASURES TO SHARE WITH PATIENTS