

**Supplies:**

We got a few emails regarding supply shortages. This should not be the case. If you are not being given a gown, N95, etc from nursing then you need to let us know immediately. It is not worth your health. We have enough for you to have one for your shift.

We are changing to a different type of wipe since we are running out of sani-wipes. Those should be in the ER today. It is an alcohol based spray and wipes.

**Testing:**

We no longer require an email for those tests you send. They are in the t-system under the order so we can look them all up since we are not using the doh anymore.

It looks like the test is cancelled after it gets to lab but it is not. So don't worry that it says that in t-system.

Close the tubes tight. They are not made well and are opening. And please break the swab in half so it fits in the tube.

**Anesthesia:**

Please utilize anesthesia to help intubate these patients. They are available and want to help. Call 917-205-0536 their beeper if you want them to intubate.

**Closed loop CPAP:**

they are located in a box on top of the resus cabins. We currently have about 15 in the ER. If you are running low let us know and we can have respiratory bring more.

**Codes:**

Keep on the vent. Please don't ask respiratory to bag these patients.

**Glidescope Stylet:**

please put them in dirty utility. We don't have enough so we are getting them sterilized to reuse.

**Respiratory:**

They are very short. Once you decide on a plan try to stick with it.

They will not be doing nif's on patients who don't have myasthenia

**Patient anxiety levels, family calls:**

We have spoken with our social worker Gina (ext 3363) who will be rounding on all the admitted patients once during her shift (9-5 m-f) and will help alleviate any anxiety they have. She will also be able to make one phone call per patient to a family member if they need to relay information to them.

If you other concerns she is happy to help speak with any patient that is still getting evaluated as well but this is a start to a process.

**Tiger Connect:**

This is actually very easy to use. See the directions below to download and start using to communicate with inpatient, micu, and ourselves.

**Gowns:**

They are now recommended for ppe for all in the ED so please keep a gown on for your shift.

**Scrubs:**

We are getting the machines filled more frequently. Let us know if it continues to be an issue.