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MEMO

To: Field Personnel

From: Doug Swanson, MD, FACEP, FAEMS

Medical Director, Mecklenburg EMS Agency

Date: 05/18/2020

Re: Atrium Health Mercy as destination during COVID-19 Pandemic

With a return to elective surgeries, Atrium Health is attempting to keep AH-Mercy "COVID-19 free" — what this means for us...

- Patients with a known lab test positive for COVID-19 should **NOT** be transported to AH-Mercy
- Patients who have a positive EIDS field screen only CAN be transported to AH-Mercy
- When providing radio report ensure that it is clear that if an EIDS field screen positive patient is being transported there that the positive refers to the field screen and not a lab confirmed positive patient
- If you are diverted away from AH-Mercy for a patient with only a positive field screen; divert, record the destination reason as diversion, and forward the transport number to me
- Destination decisions are unchanged for patients who are field screen negative &/or lab tested COIVD-19 negative



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