REVISED: COVID-19 FAQs for obstetricians/gynecologists

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COVID-19 Guidance for Delivering Healthcare Professionals

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve, the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) urges healthcare providers to take note of the following guidelines and resources to address this matter.

Though the medical community has compiled some reports from the MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV epidemics, as well as influenza-associated viral pneumonia, COVID-19 poses a particular challenge because there are limited data regarding its impact on pregnancy.

Below are several links discussing the latest guidance from the Centers for Diseases Control and Prevention (CDC), American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), and the Society of Maternal Fetal Medicine (SMFM), including an algorithm put forth jointly from ACOG and SMFM, that is most helpful in outpatient assessment and management for the pregnant patient with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 infection.

Link for most recent CDC guidelines, and a joint algorithm generated by ACOG and SMFM: https://www.acog.org/clinical/clinical-guidance/practice-advisory/articles/2020/03/novel-coronavirus-2019

Link to guidelines released by the SMFM regarding the pregnant patient with suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 infection: https://www.contemporaryobgyn.net/infectious-disease/smfm-issues-guidance-covid-19-pregnancy?rememberme=1&elq_mid=11186&elq_cid=343875&GUID=78576D2E-3C88-46F4-9BDC-3B96E5365E44

Please continue to check ADPH and CDC websites for further updates: http://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/infectiousdiseases/2019-coronavirus.html