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<th>Procedure</th>
<th>Should a woman be offered a coronavirus (COVID-19) test?</th>
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<td>Yes, see the flow chart attached for more information on the testing process and follow-up.</td>
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<td>Elective caesarean section with planned spinal block or epidural</td>
<td>No, unless they screen positive to epidemiological and/or clinical risk factors.</td>
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| Emergency caesarean section or other emergency procedures | Emergency caesarean sections should not be delayed while waiting for a coronavirus (COVID-19) test result.  
- Screens positive to epidemiological and/or clinical risk factors? Test for coronavirus (COVID-19) and treat as suspected coronavirus (COVID-19).  
- No epidemiological and clinical risk factors? Do not test, treat as coronavirus (COVID-19) negative. |
| Induction of labour | No, unless they screen positive to epidemiological and/or clinical risk factors. |
| Spontaneous labour anticipated | No, unless they screen positive to epidemiological and/or clinical risk factors. |

- Health services may modify their testing practices based on the local situations and issues being experienced.
- Partners/support people should only be tested if accompanying a positive or suspected coronavirus (COVID-19) woman or if they are showing symptoms.
Coronavirus (COVID-19) testing prior to admission to hospital

- This flow chart is a guide for if coronavirus (COVID-19) testing is undertaken prior to a women being admitted to hospital.
- Testing should only be undertaken as indicated in the table above.

For support with retrieval/transfer:
Call PIPER 1300 137 650

- Coronavirus (COVID-19) positive alone is not an indication to transfer
- Treat according to maternal and fetal wellbeing and within service capability and capacity
- If a woman or baby needs to be transferred, they do not need to be tested prior to transport occurring

Further coronavirus (COVID-19) advice

- Infection control and physical distancing guidance: Found here
- PPE guidance: Found here
- Maternity and Neonatal care guidance: Found here
- Partners/support people guidance: Found here
- Visitor guidance: Found here
- Neonatal care flowchart: Found here

Further information
https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-201