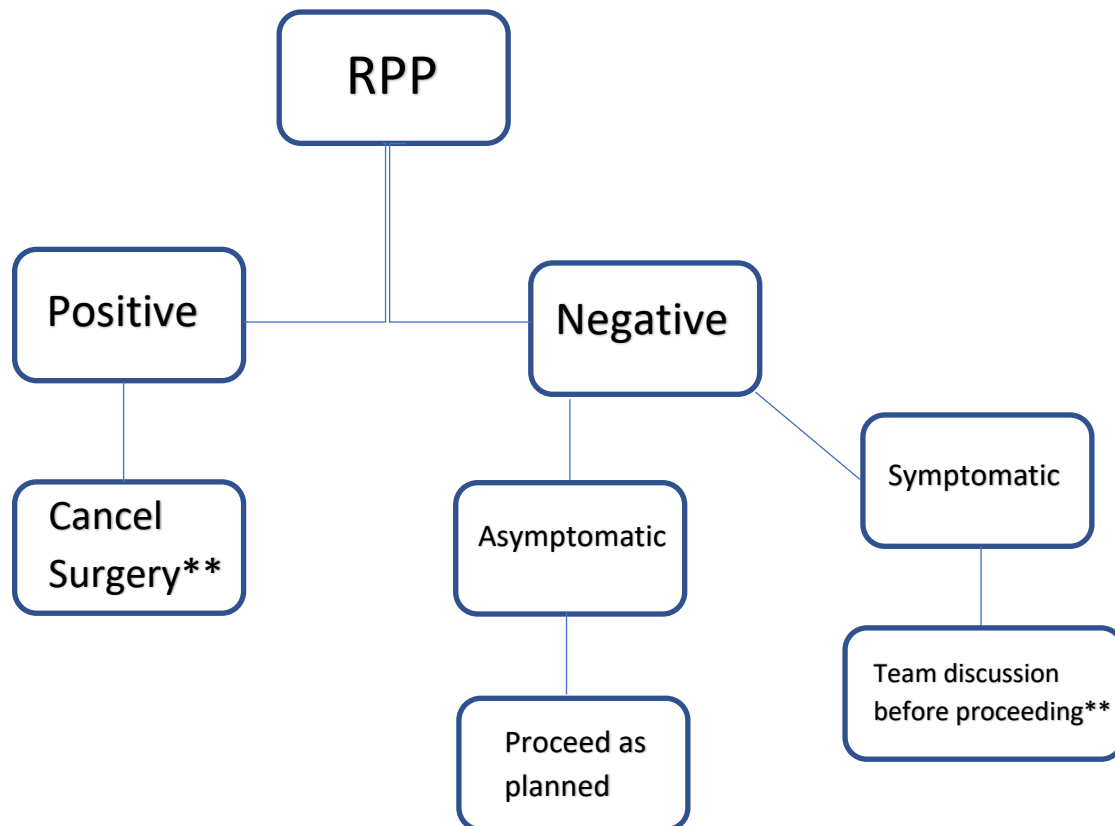


Respiratory Pathogen Panel (RPP) Testing for Outpatient Preoperative Pediatric Cardiac Surgical Patients

Annually: October 1 – May 1*

- Preoperative CT Surgery clinic visit: Nasal swab performed - **RPP & COVID test**
- Result to be available within **4** hours maximum
- Pediatric CT Surgery team member to follow-up results and initiate discussion with Anesthesia, Cardiology, and Surgeon for further discussion if:
 - o positive results
 - OR
 - o patient has symptoms concerning for viral infection



* Outside this time frame, RPP obtained at discretion of Pediatric Congenital Heart Team based on patient history and exam

** Discussion with CT Surgeon, referring Cardiologist or Cardiologist on-call, and Anesthesiologist to discuss proceeding on case-by-case basis (e.g. urgent operation, resolved infection/shedding)

- If surgery cancelled, plan to reschedule in minimum 6 weeks. Specific patient situations necessitating surgery earlier requires discussion with above providers
- **Consider ID consult for COVID positive patients and surgical planning**

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