Management of Patients with IBD during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Source: Rubin DT, Feuerstein JD, Wang AY, Cohen RD. AGA Clinical Practice Update on Management of Inflammatory Bowel Disease During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Expert Commentary, Gastroenterology (2020)

For patients with COVID-19 symptoms/findings who tested negative, consider retesting for SARS-CoV-2 virus or obtain serologies in two weeks**


** Clearance of SARS-Cov-2 may enable resumption of IBD therapy; role of serologic antibody testing unclear at the current time. (Viral clearance testing may or may not be possible or appropriate, given local testing capabilities and health system-approved epidemiological testing strategies during the COVID-19 pandemic.)

*** Treatment of COVID-19 under investigation, consider therapies that have safety and efficacy in IBD.