Respiratory Guidelines for Scheduling Elective Surgeries & Procedures under Anesthesia

The following are guidelines for outpatient surgical procedures at Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital

1. Upper Respiratory Infection: Rhinovirus, Adenovirus, etc. - can be scheduled two weeks after diagnosis
2. COVID: The patient can be scheduled two weeks after diagnosis if asymptomatic and four weeks after diagnosis if symptomatic.
3. Lower Respiratory Illnesses: Croup, Acute Tracheobronchitis, RSV Bronchiolitis, Pneumonia, Parainfluenza, Influenza, etc. – can be scheduled four weeks after diagnosis

If you have any questions about scheduling a case, please call one of the Anesthesia Nurse Practitioners at (901) 671-6303 or (901) 671-7323, Monday – Friday, 0700 - 1630

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