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The ministers also welcome the medical recommendations allowing mothers to be accompanied during childbirth by their spouse, including during a possible cesarean section, and thus the other parent to be by their side. Carrying out a search for SARS-CoV-2 (RT-PCR if it can be obtained quickly or rapid antigenic screening test in an emergency) can facilitate the knowledge of the infectious status of the woman giving birth and make it possible to adapt the measures. The ministers wish to recall, alongside the CNGOF and the HCSP, that wearing a mask for women who give birth is desirable in the presence of caregivers but that it can in no case be made compulsory. Source: Ministry of Health

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