

Domiciliary Visits Care Pathway – COVID-19 (19.03.2020)

To be asked on the telephone when contacting the patient prior to the visit.

Is the patient :
 Presenting with a fever of 37.8 degrees and above or continuous cough **regardless of any travel history.**

OR

Has the person been in contact with a suspected / confirmed case of COVID-19?

Yes

No

Is the person self isolating ?

Consider if the contact can be completed over the phone/ video call?
 If community face to face visit is required patient can be seen.

If seen in own home

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1. Hand hygiene
2. Only take the minimal equipment into the visit.
3. Keep distance of 2 meters or more
4. If you observe the person is unwell retreat from the visit and advise the person to self isolate .

Yes

Is the clinical contact/ visit considered urgent or a priority?

No

Reassess the risks and arrange to contact the patient the next working day to reassess . Arrange contingency plan and document on carenotes and complete alert.

Yes

If the visit is essential refer to the 'Essential Care Pathway' for specific advice

Complete an incident form which will also notify the Trust Infection Control Team

