

Who will be eligible for this?

Adults with:

Confirmed COVID-19

OR

Suspected COVID-19

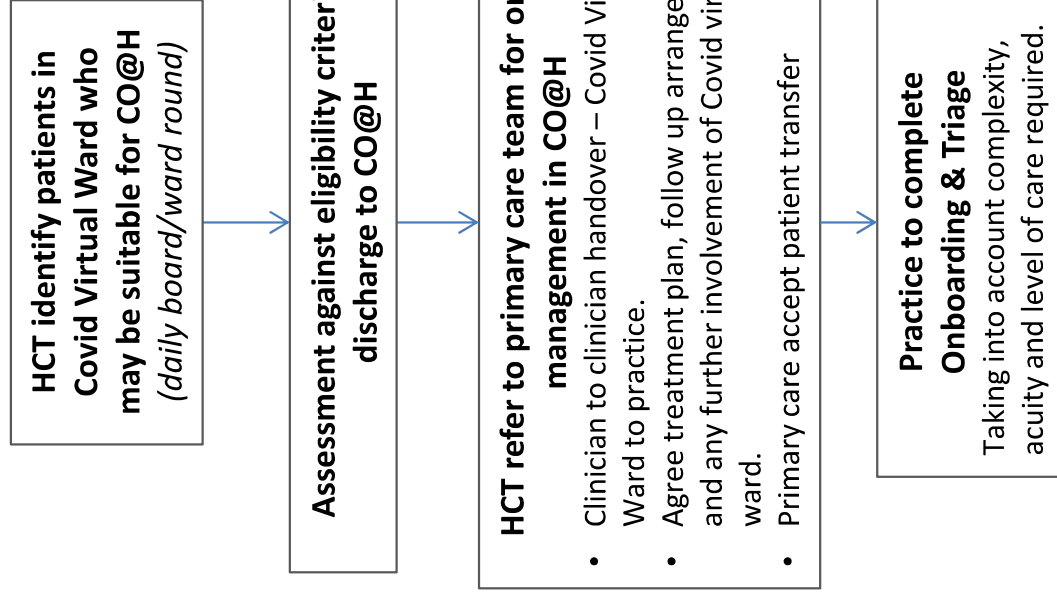
OR

Unexplained respiratory symptoms including of breath, new cough, influenza-like illness *after* exclusion of exacerbation of long term conditions

AND

No evidence of life threatening or severe disease severity requiring immediate inpatient management Not in need of emergency care

Step-down Pathway – Covid Virtual Ward to CO@H



Consider the following criteria for discharge to Primary Care for CO@H

- Improving clinical trajectory (symptoms, signs, blood results, CXRs, function, oxygen saturation)
- No fever for 48 hours
- Sats $\geq 95\%$ (OR within target) on room air
- Able to use telephone or videoconference
- Able to isolate and self care
- No longer requiring IV antibiotics, steroids etc.

OR agreement following clinician to clinician discussion (Covid virtual ward and primary care) on a patient by patient basis for patients clinically appropriate for management on CO@H pathway.

Onboarding & Triage requirements:

- Safety netting advice and details of how/when to contact GP
- Plan for remote monitoring follow-up.
- Provision of pulse oximeter and other equipment required for treatment/monitoring
- Agree treatment escalation plan
- Details of long-term follow-up plans eg. CXR

Clinical advice for step down patients on CO@H

NB: Not for urgent/critical situations, where escalation to 999/ED should be used

- See COVID Oximetry @ Home Pathway
- If clinical concern, discuss with HCT Covid Virtual Ward on **03001237571** (8am – 8pm)