

COVID-19 Evidence Bulletin

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Details of new guidance and evidence relating to the response to COVID-19. Please check SaTH, NHS and Government guidance in conjunction with these resources where necessary.

A&E

Managing the patient with a cough and a temperature [NHS England]

Provides algorithms for management that may help clinical assessment and management, including 'Reason to Admit' through ED and admission units. Updated 6th April.

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 6th April version is available from [NHS England](#) [no password required]

Specialty guides for patient management during the coronavirus pandemic: Reference guide for emergency medicine [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 10th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Alcohol

Specialty guides for patient management during the coronavirus pandemic: Clinical guide for the management of people with alcohol dependence during the coronavirus pandemic [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 8th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Cancer care

Clinical guide for the management of essential cancer surgery for adults during the coronavirus pandemic [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 7th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Clinical waste

Clinical Waste Segregation [Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust]

Covers when to use orange and yellow clinical waste bags

Available on the [SaTH Intranet](#)

Communication

Talking to relatives : A guide to compassionate phone communication during COVID-19

Developed by Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, but recommended by the SaTH Medical Director for use in SaTH

Available on the [SaTH Intranet](#)

Critical care

Clinical guide for the management of critical care for adults with COVID-19 during the coronavirus pandemic [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 8th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Clinical guide for the management of surge during the coronavirus pandemic: rapid learning [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 12th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Cystic Fibrosis

COVID-19 rapid guideline: cystic fibrosis [NICE]

Available from [NICE](#) (no password required)

Dermatology

COVID-19 rapid guideline: dermatological conditions treated with drugs affecting the immune response [NICE]

Available from [NICE](#) (no password required)

End of Life Care

End of Life care during the Coronavirus pandemic [Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust]

Developed by Elin Roddy and last updated 31st March.

Available on the [SaTH Intranet](#)

Gastroenterology

Clinical guide for the management of patients requiring endoscopy during the coronavirus pandemic [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 6th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Infection prevention and control

COVID-19: infection prevention and control (IPC) [UK Government]

Guidance on various aspects of infection prevention and control, including PPE. Page updated 7th April.

Available from [gov.uk](#) [no password required]

Musculoskeletal

Specialty guides for patient management during the coronavirus pandemic: Urgent and emergency musculoskeletal conditions in children (under 16) requiring onward referral [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 11th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Neonatology

Frequently Asked Questions within Neonatal Services [BAPM and RCPCH]

Takes into account feedback from perinatal professionals and guidance from both RCPCH and RCOG, as well as

recently updated national cross specialty guidance on personal protective equipment (PPE).
Available from [BAPM](#) [no password required]

Obstetrics and Gynaecology

Clinical guide for the temporary reorganisation of intrapartum maternity care during the coronavirus pandemic [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 9th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Guidance from PHE and Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust

Links to guidance available on the [SaTH Intranet](#)

COVID-19: infection prevention and control (IPC) [UK Government]

Guidance on various aspects of infection prevention and control, including PPE. Page updated 7th April.
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Rehabilitation

Clinical guide for the management of patients requiring transfer for specialist rehabilitation during the coronavirus pandemic [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 6th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Respiratory Care

COVID-19 rapid guideline: community-based care of patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) [NICE]

Available from [NICE](#) (no password required)

Surgery

Clinical guide to surgical prioritisation during the coronavirus pandemic [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 11th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Ventilation

Guidance for the role and use of non-invasive respiratory support in adult patients with coronavirus (confirmed or suspected) [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 6th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

Clinical guide for the optimal use of Oxygen therapy during the coronavirus pandemic [NHS England]

Check the [NHS England Specialty Guides](#) page for the latest version. The 9th April version is available [here](#) (no password required)

KnowledgeShare Evidence Alerts

KnowledgeShare contains many updates on COVID-19 that can be accessed from the [KnowledgeShare website](#) without a password. If you'd like to receive these by email (along with updates on any other topics of interest) please complete the [form](#).

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