

PATIENT TESTING FOR RESPIRATORY VIRUSES – Adults and Children



Oxford University Hospitals
NHS Foundation Trust

ADMISSION (includes elective and emergency)

RESPIRATORY SYMPTOMS¹

NO

YES

Immunocompromised² or
not immunocompromised but being
admitted to a Haem/Onc/Transplant ward

Immunocompromised²
or PICU or CICU

NO

YES

NO

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No routine testing

- POCT/COVID LFD³
- Respiratory PCR (Flu / RSV / COVID)

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- Consider Extended Respiratory Panel

¹Includes new onset respiratory symptoms during admission

²Immunocompromised refers to patients who are unlikely to mount an effective vaccine response, including haemato-oncology and solid organ or stem cell or bone marrow transplant patients, and those on disease modifying agents, steroids and immunomodulating monoclonal antibody therapies.

³POCT/COVID LFD according to availability (mainly emergency settings).
Ensure results are recorded on EPR.
All Covid LFD positive results must be confirmed by Respiratory PCR.

Immunocompromised patient placement – side-room if possible on all sites.

Please contact IPC to discuss management of any COVID-19 contacts