

CXR follow up plan for COVID-19 positive or suspected patients discharged from Emergency Department of DBTH

Emergency Department

COVID suspected or positive patient of mild severity category (as per case definition of COVID-19 and severity categorisation) and with abnormalities reported on CXR (text on report: recommended repeat CXR in 3 months on discharge)

Request CXR on ICE electronically

- on discharge or upon receiving abnormal CXR report
- use the term 'for 3-month post-COVID follow up CXR due in --- (month) 2020'
- put requesting consultant's name as 'Kyi, Dr M (for DRI), Hammoud, Dr N (for Bassetlaw) or any ED consultant name and
- choose priority as 'routine'

Radiology Department

- Vet the request
- Send appointment for CXR to the patient

Inform the clinician if DNA

Complete resolution or non-significant post-inflammatory changes

No action needed

Significant residual post-COVID changes

- Failsafe COVID pathway initiated
- Report cc to chest physicians
- Report phoned through to DBTH respiratory secretaries

Suspicious of underlying tumour

- Failsafe lung cancer pathway initiated
- Report cc to lung MDT
- Report phoned through to DBTH respiratory secretaries

Respiratory Department

- Data of referral recorded by secretaries on COVID failsafe database
- Chest physicians vetted for appointment
- Radiology meeting discussion if appropriate
- Appointment given

- Data of referral recorded by secretaries on Lung Cancer failsafe database
- Chest physicians vetted for target appointment
- Target appointment given
- MDT discussion

- Clinician to decide the next action (contact the patient and/or inform the GP)