

## Elective Procedures – Covid in Care Settings

| Provider   | Stance   |
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| <b>York Teaching Hospital<br/>NHS Foundation Trust</b>                   | <p>Current stance is that admission will be delayed if someone in the patient's household has had a recent positive COVID test even if the patient is negative. We would re-book the procedure within the appropriate clinical timescale and re-swab the patient 48 to 72 hours prior to the procedure.</p> <p>For care home residents, we would need assurance that the patient had been socially distant from the resident who tested positively or the above will apply.</p>  |
| <b>Harrogate District Teaching<br/>Hospital NHS Foundation<br/>Trust</b> | <p>Surgery would not be refused based on a case in a nursing home that the person was residing in. IPC compliance would also be discussed.</p>   |
| <b>BMI The Duchy Hospital,<br/>Harrogate</b>                             | <p>Duchy would go ahead providing the resident themselves had maintained social distancing and good hand hygiene for 14 days prior to surgery. They would be required to go to Harrogate Foundation District Trust for a COVID swab 72 hours prior to the procedure and then self-isolate within the home following the swab until the hospital admission. The rep from the Duchy would take the view that all of the risks of not following the pathway should have been discussed with the patient and that the patient has agreed and signed a consent form to accept the risks.</p>  |
| <b>South Tees Hospitals NHS<br/>Foundation Trust</b>                     | <p>Would not delay an elective procedure for someone from the care home providing they had not been in contact with an affected person, and, if they had they would delay and then be re-booked for the procedure once they had completed the necessary isolation period.</p>  |
| <b>Airedale NHS Foundation<br/>Trust</b>                                 | <p>The guidance for people in care homes having an elective procedure is the same as for the general population i.e. isolation for 14 days and a clear swab 3 days prior to the procedure.</p>   |
| <b>Nuffield, Stockton</b>  | <p>If a patient has an appointment to come to Nuffield Health Tees Hospital as an inpatient or outpatient, they will be risk assessed for COVID the same as a person living at home with a family. Therefore, if a member of staff or another patient in the care home becomes symptomatic for COVID 19 and/or has a positive result, we will expect the patient to be postponed for at least 14 days as if they were self-isolating.</p> <p>On a case by case basis where care homes feel that's staff and patients have been robustly isolated from other areas of the home we may consider exceptions to this rule where evidence is provided in writing at the clinical leadership teams discretion.</p> <p>PHE also strongly advise patients to self-isolate for a minimum of 7 days post operatively too, therefore the care home should ensure they can provide this to their patients in minimising the serious consequences of a patient contracting COVID 19 whilst their immunity is lowered following surgery.</p> |