COVID-19 Pre-Admission Screening Process

The process below is to be used for the screening of all potential admissions to any residential or inpatient setting within all Divisions and should be used before any Desktop or Face to Face assessment is undertaken.

These questions should be asked of the referring party and if required evidence of assurance will have to be provided.

Has the person got a confirmed Covid-19 Diagnosis?

Yes

Decline admission until
An appropriate 10 – 14 day period of isolation has been completed in line with national guidance.
And
Symptom free of any flu-like illness
OR (Healthcare only)
A pre-planned isolation environment is available with appropriate staff and equipment in place, with testing prior to or on admission arranged.

No

Is the person currently displaying any flu like symptoms or been contacted by Test and Trace and told they need to Self Isolate?

Yes

Admit if assessed as clinically appropriate for the service

No

Has the person been living in household with someone who is self-isolating due to having flu-like symptoms or has been contacted by Test and trace and told to self isolate for 14 days?

Additional Guidance on Covid-19 can be sought from the Corona Virus Team via the CoronaVirusQueries@priorygroup.com email account

Any exceptions to this process will need consideration at Operating Board level and so should be escalated through the management chain to the relevant Chief Operating Officer (or out of hours nominated deputy). In particular any issue related to the admission of someone who is displaying symptoms but is detained under the MHA should be escalated.

All of the above questions should be re-assessed at the point of admission and if any responses are “Yes” then person to be immediately isolated within a room and NHS 111 contacted for advice.