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CEG COVID-19 Response & Support in East London

Dear Colleagues, please find latest updates on the support available from CEG during the COVID-19 crisis. We will be sending regular newsletters during this time.

CLINICAL ENTRY TEMPLATE UPDATE (VERSION 7)

If you are not on version 7, that is, you cannot see these new items, you will need to contact EMIS Support – you probably have a cache issue.

Landing Page – Symptoms

CEG COVID-19 Section

Replaced – Telephone triage with Telephone Consultation for suspected COVID-19

Red Flag Section

Replaced separate prompts for red flag symptoms with one code for Red Flag with text.

Addition NEW section – Exposure Risk

Symptoms Section

Addition of further symptom codes for fatigue/muscle joint pains/loss of smell/taste/Headache/Fluid Intake/Patient well/unwell.

Management/Follow Up Section

Addition of signposting to Home Management service plus further advice and self isolation codes.

Addition of further pages:

Extremely Vulnerable Patients – this contains prompts for social support and identifying people who may be vulnerable for both clinical/social risk

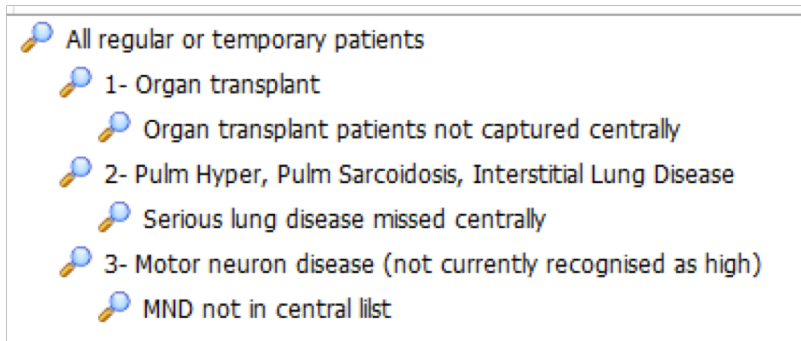
eFI calculator – for recording frailty

Referral Delay – if delayed referral or had appointment cancelled by hospital can record here with a follow up date so we can provide some searches that practices can review later.

Local Services – list of local services to support vulnerable patients.

SHIELDING SUPPORT SEARCHES

The central exercise to identify patients who need to shield has missed a small, but important, number of patients. To help you identify them, we have published these support searches in your Practice Support folder:



- All **solid organ transplant** patients should be on the shielding list.
- **MND** is not currently in the government's list of extremely vulnerable, but the case is being argued because of the possibility that any condition that has affected swallowing or breathing might increase the
- Severity of COVID-19 infection. It is up to your clinical judgement.
- Equally, you might want to review our search on **serious lung disease** and apply your clinical judgement.

Please note that searches 2 and 3 might capture some patients whose severity does not warrant shielding.

We will be adding a few more, very focused, searches tomorrow to help you find some other missing patients.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

We have lots of useful resources to support you during this time, and we review them daily.
<https://www.qmul.ac.uk/blizard/ceg/covid/>