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You have been deemed as a high risk patient being assessed via the Respiratory Pathway (this includes seasonal respiratory infections and SARS-Cov-2/Covid-19). As a part of this assessment you will be swabbed for Covid-19 infection in the Emergency Department. Your results will be available and you should have been made aware of your result prior to admission or discharge from the department.

Please bear in mind there is risk of exposure to Covid-19 infection during your assessment. If a patient adjacent to you tests positive you will be deemed as a contact, even if your test is negative today. There are several mitigation factors (social distancing, curtains, patient and staff masks and use of personal protective equipment) put in place so as to reduce this risk of transmission, however the risk cannot be completely excluded.

If you are being admitted then you will be isolated and screened every 4 days for 14 days from exposure if you have been identified as being a contact of a patient who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the department

If you have been told you are a contact and then discharged from the hospital then you would still require to self-isolate for 10 days regardless of your vaccination status, even if you have a negative result.

If you are a healthcare or social care worker, please get in touch with your line manager for further advice.

You should seek further advice if you do develop new symptoms suggestive of Covid-19 infection in the coming days.

Further information is available on www.nhsinform.scot