Covid 19 Care plan for the use of Dexamethasone and Oxygen

Nursing Home agreement to provide regular monitoring

Name of patient (label

Date of Birth

Senior Nursing Clinician agreeing the care plan

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Date agreed.....

Treatment Required

1) Oxygen concentrator started as per guidelines YES/NO

2) Dexamethasone 6mg daily for 10 days orally YES/NO

Monitoring required

1) Oxygen SaturationYES/NO2) Blood sugar needs checked daily (afternoon)YES/NO

3) Contact with GP if blood glucose >12 to consider ongoing use of this treatment YES/NO

Who will be involved?

IF CARE PLAN CANNOT BE COMPLIED WITH, PRESCRIBER/GP SHOULD BE INFORMED WITHIN 24 HOURS

CARE HOME OXYGEN AND/OR DEXAMETHASONE MONITORING & USE logbook

Target Oxygen range 90-94% (Or >88% if COPD) O2 Flow 2-4Litres/minute

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Prescriber:

Telephone No.

DATE	After Breakfast		After Lunch			After Dinner		Bedtime	
	O2 Sat%	O2 Flow	O2 Sat%	O2 Flow	GLUCOSE	O2 Sat%	O2 Flow	O2 Sat%	O2 Flow
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If patient is on Dexamethasone-

- If capillary blood glucose measurements rise above 12 mmol/L, the next dose of dexamethasone should be withheld, and medical advice should be sought.
- Care home staff should watch for signs of agitated delirium. If these develop, the next dose of dexamethasone should be withheld, and medical advice should be sought.