

Attention!

Most of these cases should be routed through NHS 24; however it is possible that you may still receive calls which you should redirect to NHS 24.

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IF Communication difficulty or capacity concerns
OR Complex COVID Severity Risk Factors
Then consider Assessment Centre or Practice Respiratory Appointment



Phone call for Respiratory Systems/COVID19 Concern

RED – Severe symptoms or high risk
 A – No response to social cues, does not wake/stay awake if roused, high pitched/continuous crying
 B – Grunting, RR>20 above normal, severe indrawing
 C – Pale, mottled
 D – T>38 if <3m, non-blanching rash, bulging fontanelle

AMBER – Moderate symptoms
 A – Not responding normally, no smile, wakens with prolonged stimulation, significant decreased activity
 C – Dry mucus membranes, poor feeding, reduced urine output, pale
 D – Fever ≥ 5 days, rigors

GREEN – Mild symptoms
 A – Responsive to social cues, smiles, stays awake, strong/normal cry
 B – No distress
 C – Moist mucus membranes, normal colour

Assessed on the phone as significantly unwell

COVID19 Assessment Centre Practice Respiratory Appointment

Clinical Assessment

Self Care Advice + Worsening Advice (Based on Red or Amber symptoms)

AMBER –Symptoms above AND

B	• Nasal flare	• Poor feeding
	• Resp Rate raised	• Reduced urine output
	• O2 Sat ≤95%	• Pale
	• Crepitations	D
C	• HR raised	• Fever ≥ 5 days
	• CRT ≥3 secs	• Rigors
	• Dry mucus membranes	• PEWS raised but < 2

GREEN – Mild symptoms as above AND

B	• No distress
C	• Moist mucus membranes
	• Normal colour
D	• No red/amber signs
	• PEWS 0

Risk Factors Or Concerns

Next day phone follow-up

Discuss with Paediatrician 0141 452 4940

COVID19 Referral (SCI Gateway)

Secondary Care Assessment

Remember that a child is more likely to be unwell with other illnesses than coronavirus

Reference Information

PEWS	0	1	3
Cardiovascular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pink or Capillary refill <2 secs. • Within baseline 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pale or capillary 2-4 seconds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grey or capillary refill 4 seconds • Tachycardia >10/bpm above normal in <11yrs >20/bpm above normal in >12years)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within baseline. • Normal effort • Room air. • (SpO2 >94%) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any O2 requirement. • Intercostal/Subcostal recession <20/min above normal in 0-2years <10/min above normal in > 2years • (SpO2 92-93%) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sternal recession >20/min above normal in 0-2years >10/min above normal in > 2years • (SpO2 <92% in air)
Behaviour	Alert/Asleep Playful.	Consolable	Alert to verbal/pain/Unresponsive

Online PEWS
<https://www.mdcalc.com/pediatric-early-warning-score-pews>



COVID-19 APPROVED GUIDANCE

OFFICIAL SENSITIVE

Note: This guidance has been fast-tracked for approval for use within NHSGGC

Covid-19 GP Practice Child Triage GP Advice 5

This guidance is intended to assist healthcare professionals in the choice of disease-specific treatments.

Clinical judgement should be exercised on the applicability of any guidance, influenced by individual patient characteristics. Clinicians should be mindful of the potential for harmful polypharmacy and increased susceptibility to adverse drug reactions in patients with multiple morbidities or frailty.

If, after discussion with the patient or carer, there are good reasons for not following guidance, it is good practice to record these and communicate them to others involved in the care of the patient.

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