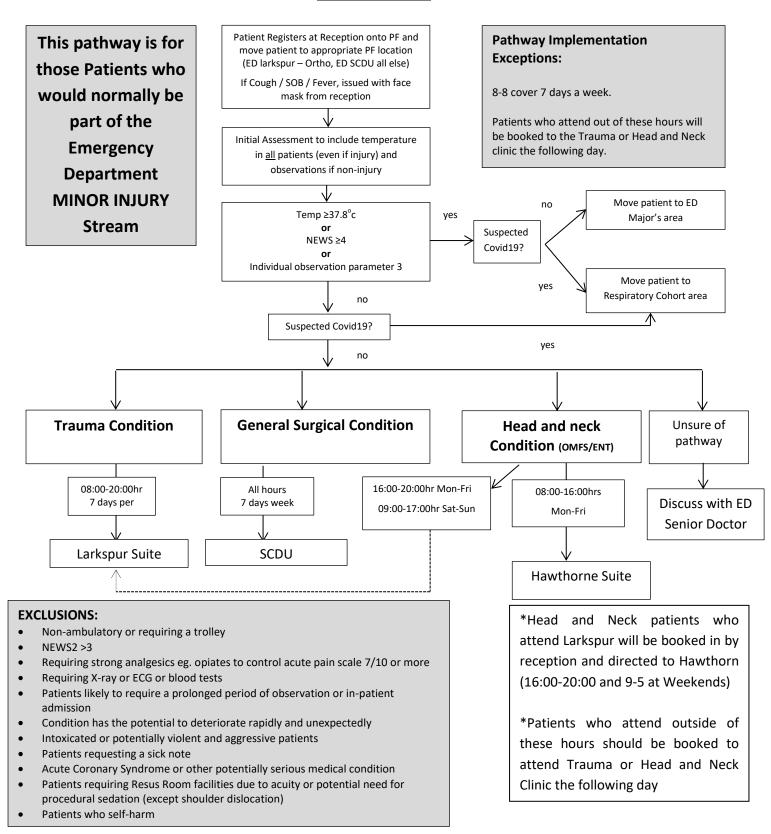


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Management of Self Presenting Patients to WRH ED during Covid-

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Box1. 'Trauma conditions (not exhaustive)

- Self-presenting possible basic fracture of foot, ankle, wrist, elbow and hand
- Knee injuries excluding septic arthritis
- Foreign body excluding eye, ear, nose, throat
- Minor dog or cat bite
- Basic paediatric injuries that will not require any surgical input
- Minor wounds
- Traumatic injuries incl. fractures, dislocations, sprains and lacerations
- Head injury
- Needlestix injury

If they do, please triage the patient and send them directly to the orthopaedic clinic with their notes and labels.

NO XRAY IS REQUIRED

NO LARGE JOINT DISLOCATIONS TO BE SENT DIRECT

Box 2. 'Surgical' conditions (not exhaustive)

- Chest wall injuries
- Abscesses
- Anorectal problems
- Urological (retention, testicular pain, penile problems)
- ENT/OMFS conditions excluding potential airway compromise or life-threatening haemorrhage

Box 3. 'Head and Neck' conditions (not exhaustive)

- OMFS patients with dental abscesses that can be treated under LA
- Patients with lacerations requiring suturing under LA
- OMFS patients with #mandible who are suitable for stabilisation and return for TCI.
- Foreign body in ear, nose or throat
- Dentoalveolar injuries requiring tooth re-implantation and splinting.
- ENT patients with epistaxis who are suitable for stabilisation and report for review.
- ENT patients with acute tonsillitis who are suitable for the Portsmouth protocol.

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