ICGP National Meetings/Webinars COVID-19

Update 15

- > 3rd June 2020
 - ▶ 8:00 pm



Covid-19 & Marginalised Groups

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Figures for marginalised groups

- May 20th 2020
- Travelling Community 46 cases, 2 hospitalised
- Direct Provision 171 cases, 14 hospitalised
- Homeless 20 cases, 5 hospitalised
- Roma 22 cases, 7 hospitalised, 4 deaths



Four main points

- Public health messaging
- Isolation
- Testing
- Assessment hubs



Public health messaging







Public health messaging





COVID-19

Drug overdose and Coronavirus (COVID-19) It's an extra risky time. It's safer not to use drugs at all.

There are new risks during the COVD-19 pandemic. Changes to the drug market could increase your overdose risk.



You are at greater risk of drug overdose if you have



You can't be sure of the contents of drugs or how you will react: tablets not prescribed to you are



Changing the type of drugs you use or using new drugs increases your risk of overdose.



Using alone or in isolation is dangerous: let someone know.



Start very low and go very slow and leave at least two hours



Think about Opioid Substitution Treatment. This could help you manage your use and reduce overdose. Call your local HSE Drug and Alcohol

Tolerance: not taking drugs for

space of time and starting

gain could lead to overdose.

Avoid using more than one

drug at a time: this includes

using with alcohol and prescription medication like methadone or benzodiazepines.



service for further information. Get Naloxone for you or a riend. This could save your life.

Don't be afraid to get help if you or a friend becomes unwell after using drugs It's important you get medical support as soon as possible by calling 999 or 112

The HSE Drug and Alcohol Helpline is available Monday-Friday 9:30 am-5:30 pm on 1800 459 459 for information and support







Coronavirus COVID-19



Harm reduction advice for people who use drugs

It's always safer not to use drugs, but if you do, reduce the harm



You are at risk of serious illness from the coronavirus.



Be mindful of your mental health during this worrying



Wash your hands and clean surfaces and equipment before and after drug use to protect



Don't share drugs or equipment as this can spread infection.



Make arrangements to get your regular supply of opioid treatment or contact your GP to begin treatment.



Reduce the risk of overdose by limiting your drug use, not mixing drugs and carrying a supply of Naloxone.



Stay indoors as much as



possible and limit your contact with other people.



Keep in touch with family. friends and healthcare



If you have a high temperature, breathing difficulties, shortness of breath or a cough, phone your GP and self-isolate by avoiding all contact with other people.

Visit hse, ie and drugs, ie for updated factual information and advice or call 1850 24 1850.

Protection from coronavirus. It's in our hands.









Isolation

- May be:
 - Asymptomatic contacts
 - Symptomatic and waiting on swab or swab result
 - COVID-19 positive with/without symptoms but not requiring hospital
- Supported isolation may be needed if:
 - ▶ No capacity for isolation in current accommodation
 - COVID-19 positive, but no longer requires hospital or are unable to return to their original accommodation
 - Nowhere else to go



Isolation

Appendix 1- Isolation Facility Referral Form

Community Healthcare		Tel: 061 483594									
Following Receipt	for Ref	erral and	Reques	t from	Desig	nated Conta	ct Persor	n this referral	will be triaged by		
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Address:											
						DOB(DD/MM/YYYY) / /					
						Gender					
Tel/Mobile #						Consent sharing information and referral to isolation facility?			Yes No		
NOK/ Designated Representative						GP Name		Medical Card	Number		
Notified of Transfer	iotified of Transfer					Address					
Tel / Mobile #						Tel#					
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If Other referral sour	ce pleas	e specify									
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advise of any cultura other considerations											

HSE Mid-West COVID 19 Isolation Facility Referral Form

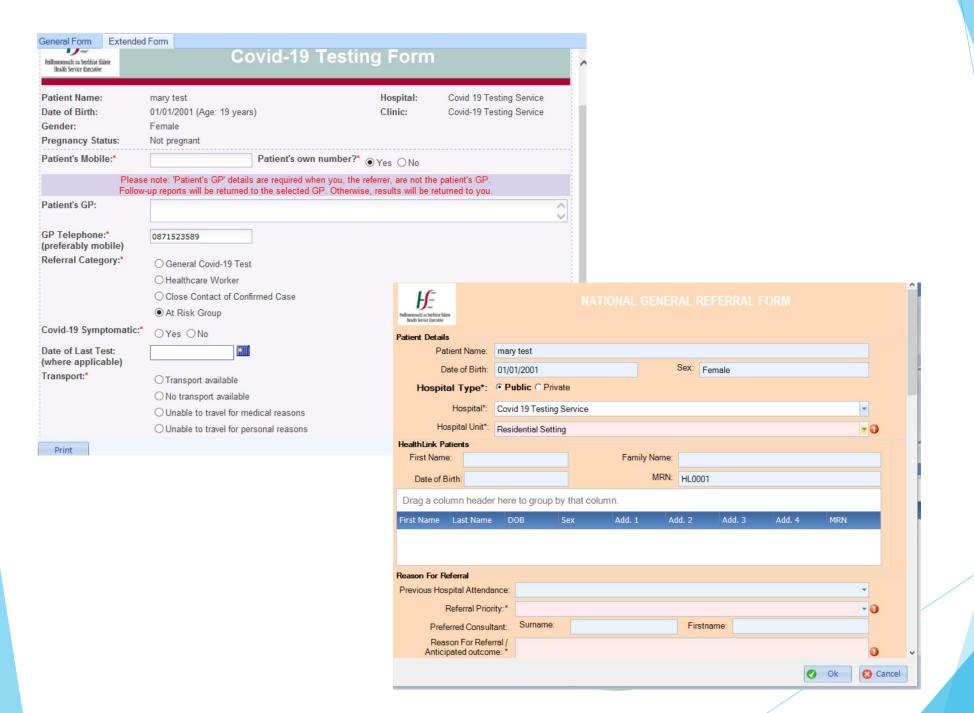
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Primary diagno	sis,										
Medical History	γ.										
Cognitive Fund	tion,										
Other medical	conditions	If Known, please circle HCAI, MDRO, BBV2 STATUS, Influenza, Norovirus, Hep B, Hep C, HIV, C									
+/_ Infection (Control Issues	DIFF, MRSA, CPE, VRE, KPC									
Medications											
Including 02 re	equirements										
Allergies											
Social Circumstances		Live alone?	Yes	No	With whom						
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		Interpreter	Yes	No							
		required?			Language						
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		Standing Hoist; Full Hoist; Mechanical Aids, Walking frame									
Mobility Issues											
Other professionals involved? Yes No Don't Know If "yes" provide name & contact details											
Advanced Health Care Plan/Directive yes/no											
End of Life Care Plan dated and signed											
Active safeguarding concerns yes/no.											
If yes attach safe guarding supporting document/brief outline											
Referred By	Name / Title						Date	1 1			
	Signature						Tel#				
Email Address:											



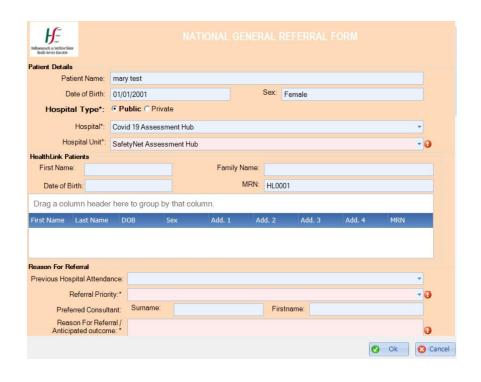
Testing

- Flexibility of testing
- Remember, finding suitable place to isolate is key first step
- If in residential setting or supported isolation unit can arrange testing there via mobile test unit, or can contact local HSE SI or Safetynet (Dublin) to see if testing available
- Results via mobile phone
- Contact tracing via mobile phone





Assessment Hub







Resources

- www.hse.ie/eng/services/news/newsfeatures/covid19-updates/partnerresources/covid-19-translated-resources/
- www.nascireland.org/know-your-rights/covid-19-world-service
- www.drugs.ie/resources/covid/
- www.primarycaresafetynet.ie
- www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/primarycare/socialinclusion/

