



# COVID PROTECT

## User Guide

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# COVID PROTECT Objectives

## Centrally Optimising Vulnerable Individuals through Data

COVID PROTECT will provide a detailed live analysis of the population, educate to minimise the risk of spread and allow escalation of those with healthcare needs and then allow Healthcare Teams to accurately assess the individual without compromising the safety of emergency practitioners and A&E / clinical resources.

1. Identification of patients within the defined highest risk groups (in keeping with NHSE/communications) and of patients most likely to need ventilation / ITU beds (as per WHO data).
2. Proactive engagement of these high risk patients to ensure they are aware of the risk and that they are conforming with shielding and protection advice.
3. Operational surveillance of these patients through daily online updates/interactions.
4. Ability to use NHS workers in self-isolation and volunteers to work remotely to implement these activities.
5. Protect frontline NHS workers by enabling effective remote assessment and long term support.
6. Provision of Capacity planning for pending admissions.
7. Ability to update and educate our healthcare teams and volunteers as new information becomes available.

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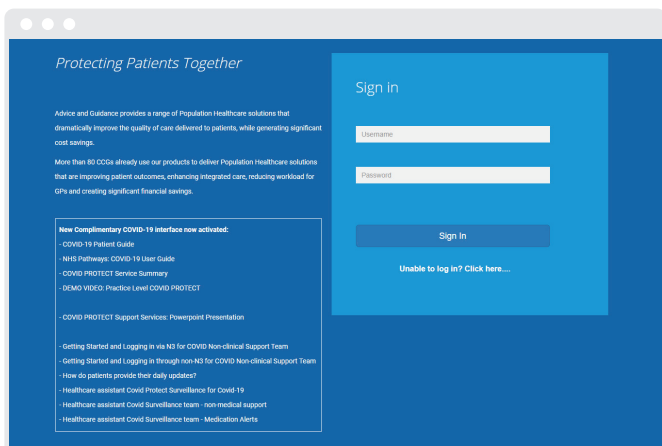
# COVID PROTECT Guide

**COVID PROTECT offers key steps to identify and protect your high risk priority patient groups:**

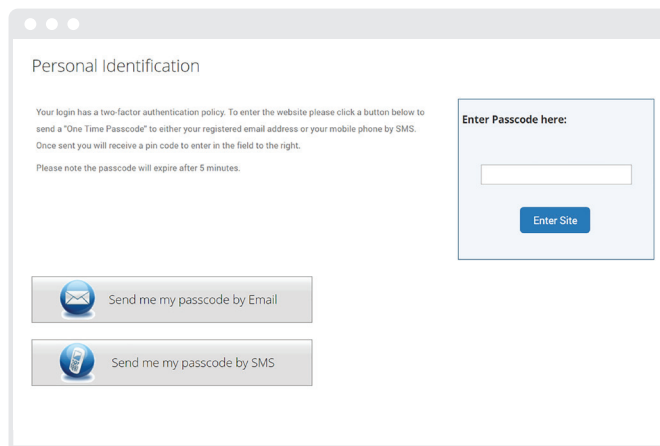
- Step 1: Access the COVID PROTECT system
- Step 2: Identify your high risk priority patient groups
- Step 3: Ensure high risk priority patients are effectively shielded
- Step 4: Ensure your high risk priority patients are supported
- Step 5: Ensure your support staff are implementing best practice

## How to access the COVID PROTECT system

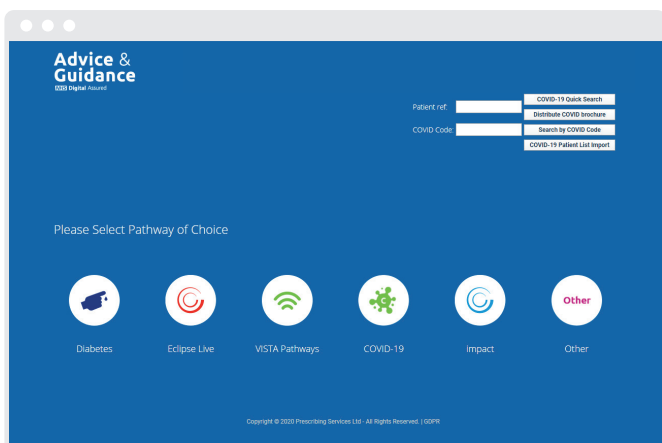
Your COVID PROTECT interface can be accessed via <https://secure.nhspathways.org>



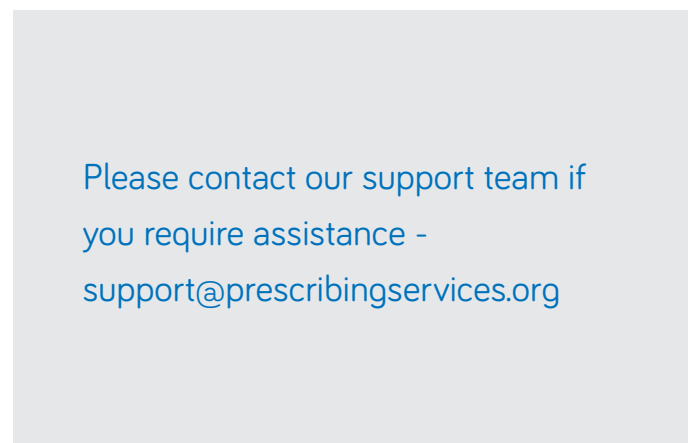
A. Log in with your username and password.



B. Two-factor authentication is required to log in. This requires entering an access code that is sent by SMS to your mobile or emailed to your NHS email address.



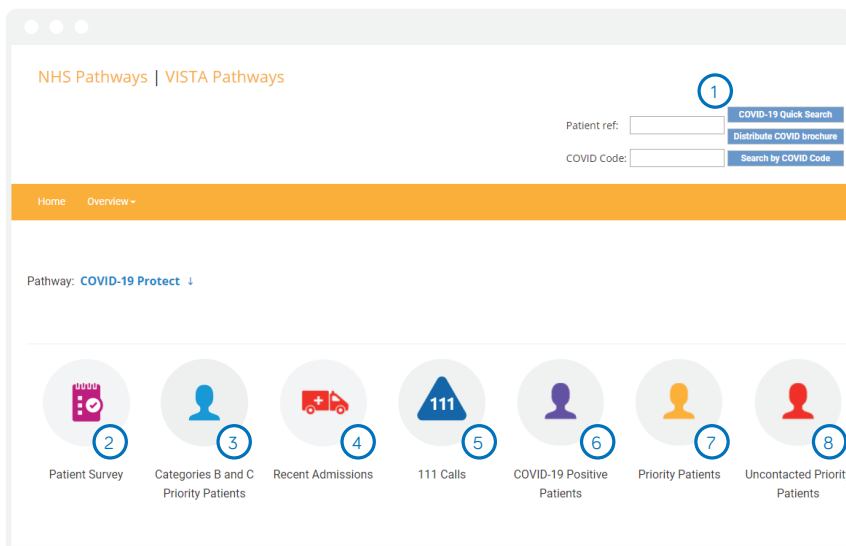
C. Select the COVID-19 icon to access the interface.



# Identification of your High Risk Priority Patient Groups

## COVID PROTECT Overview Page

The COVID PROTECT overview page gives end users access to a wealth of insight. This provides both an individual organisation's status and relative performance. Users can complete both COVID pathway patient cohort level analysis, implementation and validation activity and individual patient prioritisation. At a GP Practice level individual patients can be identified. At regional level, with appropriate consent individual patient's data sets can be viewed but are not identifiable.



- 1 COVID-19 Quick Search:** Quickly find a specific patient by searching the patient reference number. (EMIS practices only).
- 2 Patient Survey:** Remote Healthcare Team Proactive COVID assessment statistics.
- 3 Categories B and C Priority Patients:** View patients in very high risk coronavirus patient groups.
- 4 Recent Admissions:** List detailing patients who have been admitted to hospital recently.\*
- 5 111 Calls:** View Recent 111 calls and details \*
- 6 COVID-19 Positive Patients:** View patients that have tested positive for COVID-19
- 7 Priority Patients:** Priority High Risk Coronavirus Patient Groups as per NHSE/I.
- 8 Uncontacted Priority Patients:** Uncontacted Priority Patients from Category C: Very High Risk Groups

\* Local CCG status dependent

## At Risk Patient Cohorts

High Risk Priority Patient Groups as per NHS England / Improvement / HM Government.

COVID-19: Vulnerable priority groups for shielding

Priority Group	Total Patients (COVID-19 Protect)	Total Patients in cohort	% Patients in cohort	Contacted by HM Gov Letter	Contacted by COVID Protect Letter	Contacted by Phone	Uncontacted	
Additional patients for 3rd wave letters	3569	0	0%	0	0	0	0	<a href="#">View</a>
Group 1: Transplant Patients	3569	22	0.62%	22	22	22	0	<a href="#">View</a>
Group 2: Specific Cancers	3569	23	0.64%	23	23	23	0	<a href="#">View</a>
Group 3: Severe Respiratory Disorders	3569	56	1.57%	56	56	55	0	<a href="#">View</a>
Group 4: Rare Diseases	3569	16	0.45%	16	16	15	0	<a href="#">View</a>
Group 5: Immunosuppression Therapies	3569	39	1.09%	39	39	39	0	<a href="#">View</a>
Group 6: Pregnant with Heart Disease	3569	0	0%	0	0	0	0	<a href="#">View</a>
Category A: High Risk (1): Patients Aged 70 or over	3569	783	21.94%	107	99	332	443	<a href="#">View</a>
Category A: High Risk (2): Patients Aged under 70 and offered Flu	3569	621	17.4%	55	52	101	515	<a href="#">View</a>

Click **View** to see at patients within cohort.

## Individual At Risk Patient Lists

Export Selected Rows to XLS    Export All Rows to XLS

Ref	Covid Code	Age	Drugs	Sex	Red Alerts	Amber Alerts	COVID Status	Hospital Risk Score	Symptoms	Contacts	Smoker	Flu Vaccination	Self Isolating	Care Setting	Initial Survey	Patient Daily Questionnaire	Cardio Disease	Asthma	COPD	DM	Hyper	Action Plan	Smurf Review
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Click the 🔍 icon to view at risk patient COVID review.

## At risk patient COVID review

The COVID PROTECT review page screen gives end users access to a high degree of detail on a specific patient. This provides all the information required for a patient to be escalated. Users can then complete a COVID questionnaire with a patient remotely to further enhance the effectiveness of the interface.

The screenshot displays the 'COVID-19 Review' interface for a patient. At the top, it shows the user is logged in as Dr. Julian Brown (GP) at LITCHAM HEALTH CENTRE. The patient's reference number is partially visible. A red banner indicates the patient is overdue for their daily questionnaire. The main area is divided into several sections, each with a circled number (1-11) pointing to specific data points or icons:

- 1** COVID Status: N/A (Green question mark icon)
- 2** Symptoms: None (Green checkmark icon)
- 3** Contacts: No Data (Red question mark icon)
- 4** Morbidity Risk Score (WHO): 7.16 (Medium) (Yellow warning icon)
- 5** Current Smoker: (Red exclamation mark icon)
- 6** Flu Jab: (19/11/19) (Green checkmark icon)
- 7** Respiratory Rate: - (Red question mark icon)
- 8** Care Settings: Domestic (Green checkmark icon)
- 9** Initial Survey Complete: (24/03/20) (Green checkmark icon)
- 10** Self Complete Daily Questionnaire: (19/03/20) (Red exclamation mark icon)
- 11** Patient's COVID Code: BEN8 (Green checkmark icon)

The interface also includes an 'Overview' section with the patient's COVID code and high-risk groups, and an 'Analysis' section with two green checkmarks indicating the patient is appropriately monitored and has completed the questionnaire.

- 1** **COVID Status:** Has the patient been tested for Coronavirus (Untested, Positive, Normal)
- 2** **Symptoms:** Has the patient either a fever or a cough – data from the last patient questionnaire
- 3** **Contacts:** Has the patient been in contact with either someone who has Coronavirus or someone who has symptoms of Coronavirus – data from both the initial questionnaire filled out by the HCP and the last patient
- 4** **Morbidity Risk Score (WHO):** Risk score based on actual mortality rate of Coronavirus using patient demographics such as age and specific long term conditions (the higher the score the more at risk the patient is)
- 5** **Smoking Status:** Non smoker, ex-smoker, current smoker
- 6** **Flu Jab:** Date of last jab and green tick if since 1 September 2019
- 7** **Respiratory Rate:** The patient's respiratory rate
- 8** **Care Settings:** Where does the patient live - data from the initial questionnaire (Care home, domestic home alone, domestic home with others)
- 9** **Initial Survey Complete:** Date the initial survey was completed by the HCP – If not started can click to start Self Complete Daily Questionnaire
- 10** **Self Complete Daily Questionnaire:** Date the last survey was completed by the patient
- 11** The patient's COVID code under the **Overview** section is used for the patient to log into the daily questionnaire on [www.NHSPatient.org](http://www.NHSPatient.org)

Having reviewed a patient, if further (Healthcare Team led remote assessment) action is required click the **Complete Proactive Qu for COVID** link to access the COVID questionnaire.


**Analysis**

Patient appropriately monitored

Patient has completed the questionnaire

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**Actions**

[Complete Proactive Qu for COVID](#) 

[Complete Patient Qu for COVID](#)

[View detailed patient metrics to start review](#)


### COVID Proactive Qu for High Risk Patients

Please complete the sections below:

Are you aware of, and do you understand, the national guidance for higher risk patients on how to stay safe during the Coronavirus pandemic?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Not set
Notes relating to the above:	<input type="text"/>
Do you have a new cough which is irritating in nature and non-productive?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Not set
Notes relating to the above:	<input type="text"/>
Do you currently have a fever or any symptoms of fever?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Not set
Notes relating to the above:	<input type="text"/>
Are you currently experiencing any loss or change to your normal sense of smell or taste?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Not set

Following the completion of the remote Healthcare Team Proactive COVID assessment patients can be provided with their unique COVID Code (generated and displayed in the system) and education materials to enable effective self-isolation.

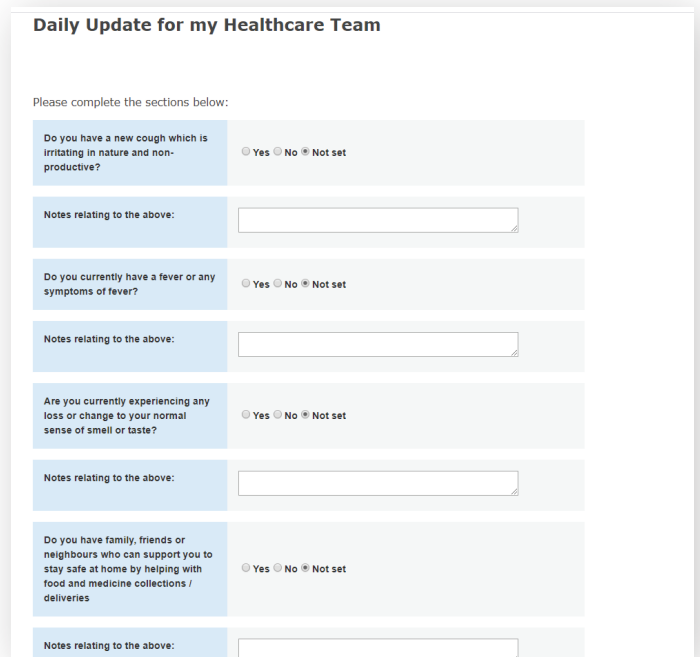
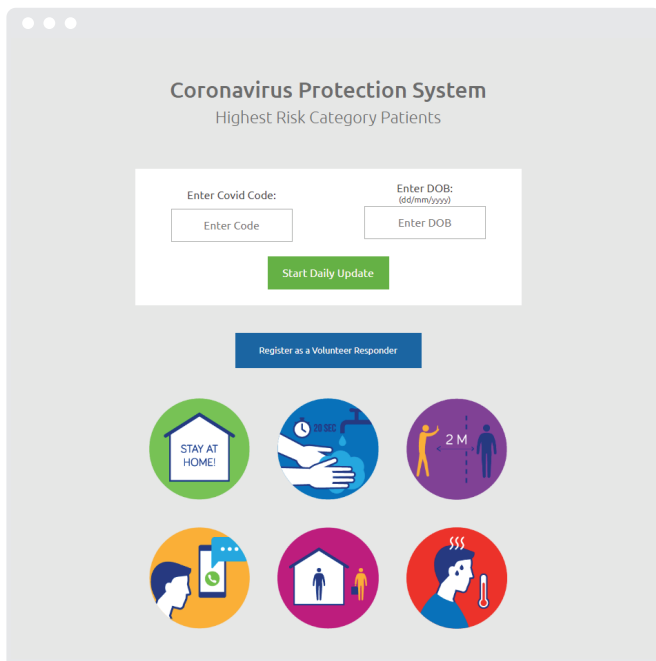
**Overview**

Patient's COVID Code: ECM3 

# Ensuring Priority Patients Are Effectively Self-Isolated

## Coronavirus Protection System Questionnaire

Having been issued a COVID code a patient can go to [www.nhspatient.org](http://www.nhspatient.org) and fill out their daily questionnaire further augmenting the information available on the COVID Review page.



A. Go to [www.nhspatient.org](http://www.nhspatient.org), enter the COVID code and **date of birth** then click **Start Daily Update**

B. Fill out questionnaire and click **Save**



## Ongoing Patient Education

Also available to download from [NHSpatient.org](http://NHSpatient.org) is the **Survival Guide to Coronavirus for Highest Risk Category Patients**, a simple but in-depth guide that educates patients on Coronavirus safeguarding.

These can be given out with repeat prescriptions, emailed to or downloaded by patients or posted.


[www.nhspatient.org](http://www.nhspatient.org)



Your Survival Guide to Coronavirus  
Highest Risk Category Patients

Important Advice to Keep You, or the Person You Care For Safe

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# COVID-19 Interface

## Implementation & Support

The COVID-19 interface enables rapid patient identification, ongoing patient remote support and effective utilisation of your remote healthcare team.

# The COVID PROTECT Service.

## Population Risk Optimisation Through Eclipse Clinical Triage.

### The PROTECT Service enables effective remote Population Health Management. The Service:

1. Allows remote self-isolating workers to safely view Patient Portals with Role Based Access.
2. Instantly identifies which patients are at risk and require remote assessment.
3. Ensures standardised assessment of the Patients utilising a secure web based portal.
4. Uses the information entered by the Healthcare Team to further evaluate any actions needed and to inform ongoing remote support actions.
5. Enables the patients to provide constant daily updates on their health and self-isolation status.
6. Constantly evaluates the relative performance of each region validating the reduction in hospital admissions.
7. Empowers Patients, Carers and Healthcare assistants.
8. Validates holistic outcomes utilising VISTA Analytics.



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**[www.nhspathways.org](http://www.nhspathways.org)**

## HOW TO SET UP USERS FOR NHS PATHWAYS

CCG level log in requests have to be authorised by the Head of Medicines Management and should be sent to [support@prescribingservices.org](mailto:support@prescribingservices.org)

Practice level log in requests have to be authorised by either the Practice Manager / Lead GP or Primary Contact listed on the original sign up form and should be sent to [support@prescribingservices.org](mailto:support@prescribingservices.org) for Information Governance purposes.

All log in requests require the following:

- Name
- Job Role
- NHS Email
- Mobile Number (optional)
- CCG
- Practice National Code
- Practice Name

Once received these requests will be actioned, details sent to users directly and you will be updated.

# QUICKER IDENTIFICATION OF YOUR PATIENTS

## SystemOne practices only

SystemOne use the NHS number as the patient identifier. This number is not extracted, instead a reference number is generated and held within an Excel sheet called a PATLIST. The Practice Managers/Primary Contacts are aware and shown this as part of the extraction process. There is also a macro quick finder that can be downloaded as detailed below.

### **How to download a macro for quicker identification of your patients**

Please enter the below link into the address bar in your web browser:  
[www.nhspathways.org/downloads/patlistsearch.zip](http://www.nhspathways.org/downloads/patlistsearch.zip)

1. A zipped folder will be downloaded, unzip and save 'Eclipse Patient List Search.exe' file (keep for future use).
2. Double click and run the file.
3. Click 'choose file', then navigate to where the PATLIST is saved.
4. Enter patient reference 'Ref' number in 'Reference Number' field and click 'Search'.
5. The 'NHS Number' field will then be populated.

We recommend minimising the program so as not to repeat step 3 each time.

**For any further guidance please contact [support@prescribingservices.org](mailto:support@prescribingservices.org)**

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