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To assist GPs, shortcuts for COVID patients' presentations have been created to be added within your clinical software. This is to reduce the amount of typing needed when completing the consultation notes and save the GP valuable time. Our PHN would like to thank our GPLO, Dr Jon Harper for his contribution.

Initial Consultation:

Shortcut (macro) 1

Create new shortcut and copy and paste the following:

Initial consultation – patient COVID-19 positive

Date of onset of symptoms: Date of COVID-19 test:

Type of COVID-19 test: PCR RAT

If RAT- patient has registered positive result: Yes No COVID-19 vaccination status: full partial unvaccinated

Current clinical features:

Clinical features severity: Asymptomatic Mild Moderate Severe

Risk of deterioration: Low Medium High

Management:

Advised to self-isolate for at least 7 days and until symptoms mostly resolved for 24hrs.

Advised that household close contacts, unless critical worker, must guarantine for 7 days and get tested on day 6 (or any time if they develop symptoms).

Provided web-based resources and telephone support lines.

Advised to contact practice if symptoms worsen.

Reassured that they can self-manage: treat symptoms with simple analgesia, stay hydrated.

Scheduled telehealth review in 1-2 days.

Disease modifying treatments: indicated not indicated Escalated to hospital-led COVID service [phone number]

Advise patients to internet search:

- Positive RAT notification search "QLD RAT positive"
- Isolation support search "QLD I have COVID"
- QLD Health Self Checker- search "QLD COVID self checker"
- Close contact quarantine search "QLD close contact"
- My COVID-19 Symptoms Diary search "My COVID symptoms diary"
- RACGP Managing mild COVID-19 at home with assistance from your GP search "RACGP managing COVID at home"
- COVID-19 information for multicultural communities search "QLD COVID in my language"

Key Contacts:

- •134 COVID (134 268)
- •13 HEALTH (134 32584)
- National Coronavirus Hotline: 1800 020 080

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Link: Instructions on how to create a new shortcut in your clinical software

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Review Consultation:

Autofill (macro) 2

Create new autofill and shortcut, copy and paste the following:

Review of COVID-19 illness Current clinical features:

Clinical features severity: Asymptomatic mild moderate severe

Risk of deterioration: low medium high

Social isolation issues:

Management:

Provided web-based resources and telephone support lines.

Advised to contact practice if symptoms worsen.

Reassured that they can self-manage: treat symptoms with simple analgesia, stay hydrated.

Scheduled telehealth review in 1-2 days.

Disease modifying treatments: indicated not indicated Escalated to hospital-led COVID service [phone number]

HealthPathways and PHN resources

HealthPathways is an online manual used by clinicians to help make assessment, management, and specialist request decisions, with information regarding COVID-19 directly informed by the State Health Emergency Coordination Centre.

COVID HealthPathways include:

- Local HHS COVID escalation pathways
- Clinical care
- Vaccination
- Practice setup
- Services and requests
- Recent changes
- Resources

Health Pathways log in details

| Region | Username | Password |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Central Queensland | uscentralqld | pwcentralqld |
| Wide Bay | userwb | pwwb |
| Sunshine Coast | ussc | pwsc |

Relevant COVID-19 updates can be found on our website. Please ensure all staff have subscribed to GP Matters and our PHN COVID updates.

For queries, contact your Primary Health Care Officer or email PracSupport@ourphn.org.au.

Incorporating these shortcuts can be used as evidence for accreditation as a quality improvement activity.

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