

COVID-19 System Roles and responsibilities care home swabbing pathway for Bradford

The [COVID19: Action Plan for Social Care Department of Health and Social care April 2020](#) focuses on 4 key areas to include:

Controlling the spread of infection through better testing for care home residents for COVID-19 status

The COVID-19 System Roles and responsibilities care home swabbing pathway for Bradford (Craven not included as NYCC have adopted a different approach) summarises the roles and responsibilities for each organisation and provides a pathway of the following scenarios where testing is required

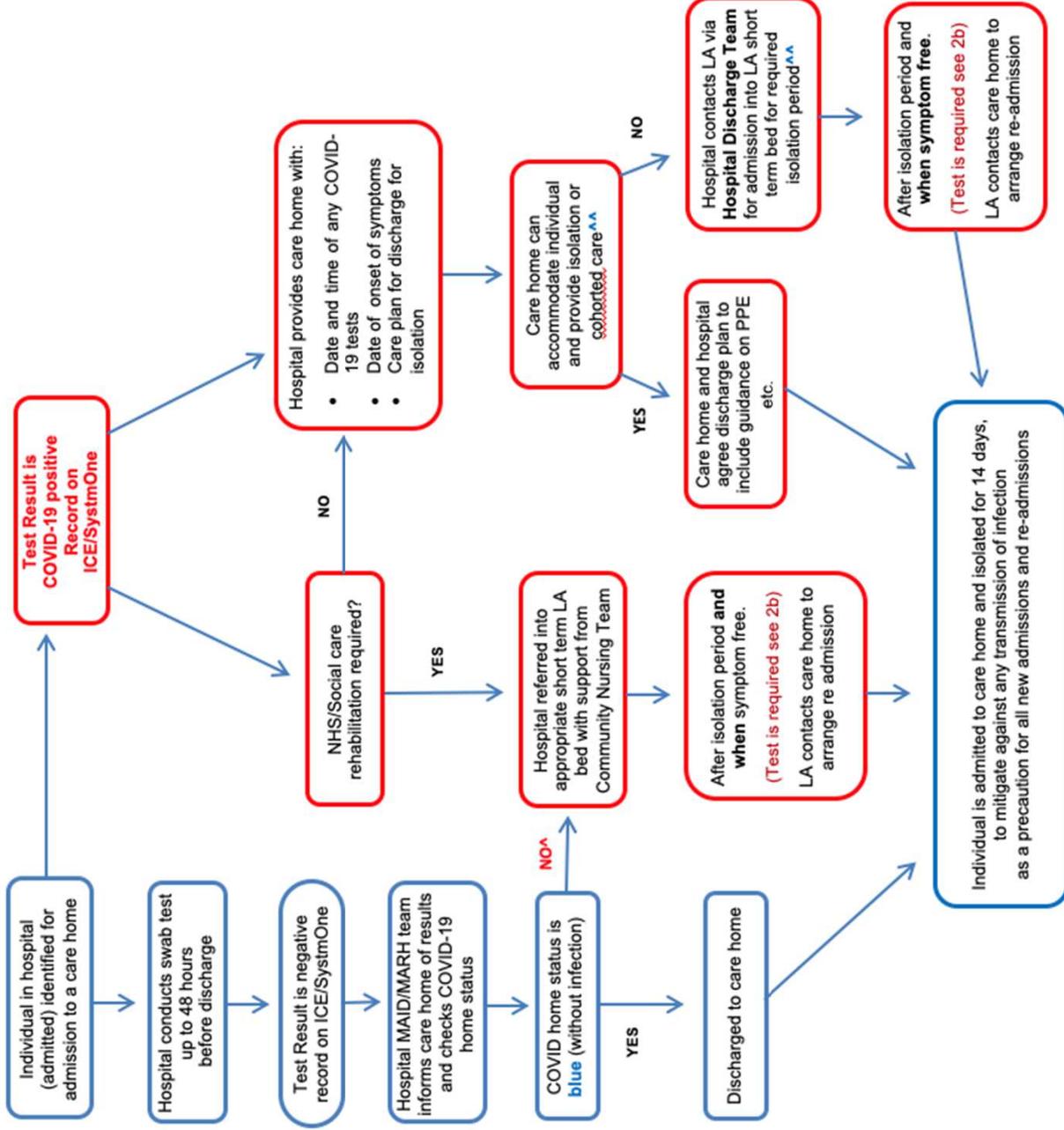
- 1. Discharge of new and existing 'residents' going in to a care home setting from hospital**
- 2. Admission of individuals in to a care home from community setting (Bradford only)**
- 3. Point of Outbreak - residents that are symptomatic in a care home setting at the point of outbreak (Pillar 1)**
- 4. Subsequent testing of residents for ongoing and post outbreak (Pillar 2)**

Care home swabbing pathways – guiding principles

- Infection free homes must be kept infection free
- Anyone who is COVID-19 positive should not be sent to a home that is COVID-19 free
- Homes that already have residents with COVID-19 symptoms/confirmed COVID-19 should have a discussion, led by the discharge team, to determine their ability to manage additional patient admissions
- All re-starts of packages of care and discharges must be managed by the hospital discharge team
- In order to achieve these principles residents may go to a LA COVID/NON COVID suite for isolation/cohorting
- Any residents that are discharged and are asymptomatic should be isolated

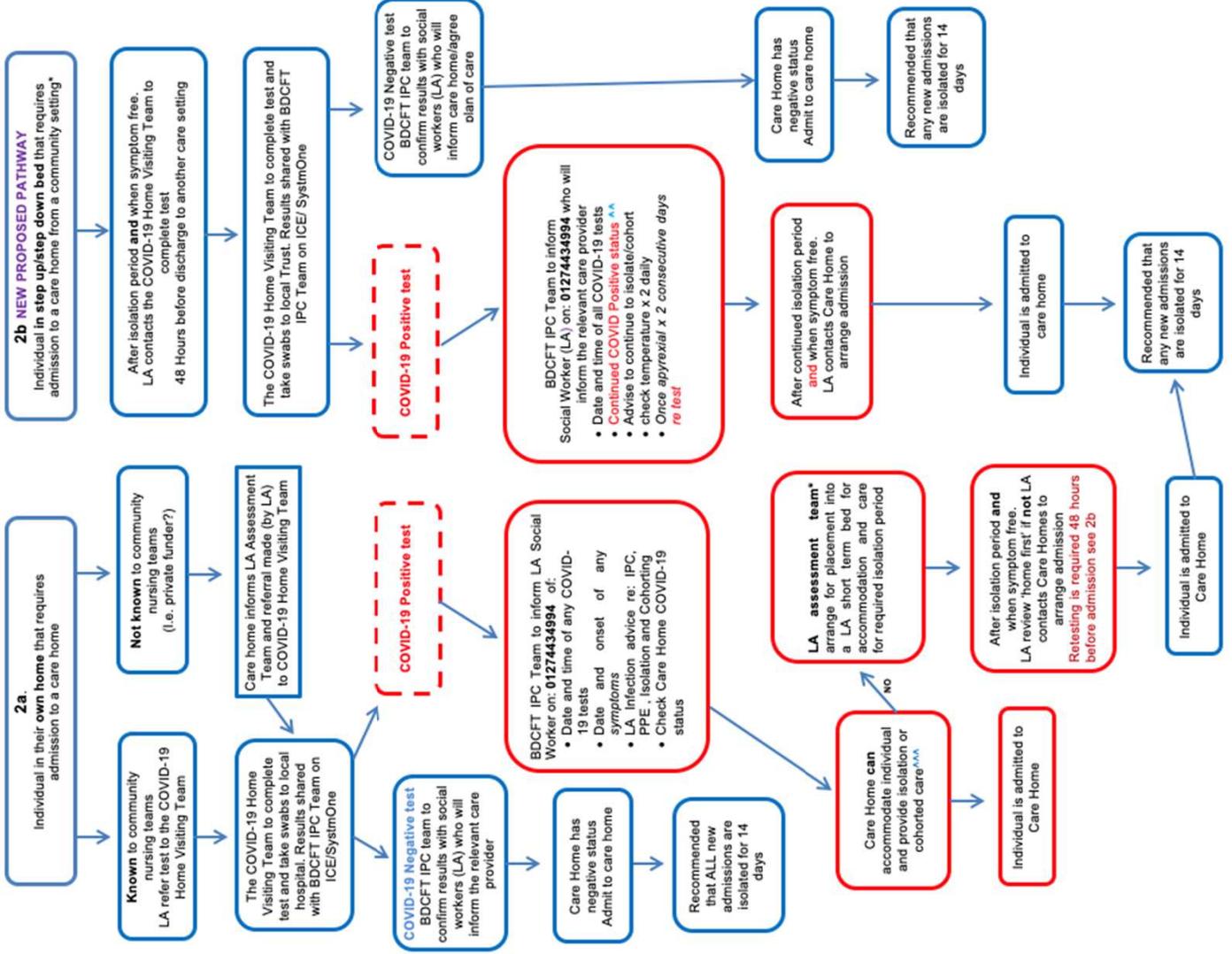
To action for GPs: Care homes are required to inform GPs verbally of residents that have been tested as positive – please update your systems when this happens and ask for an update on COVID status as part of weekly home visits

1. Discharge from hospital to a care home

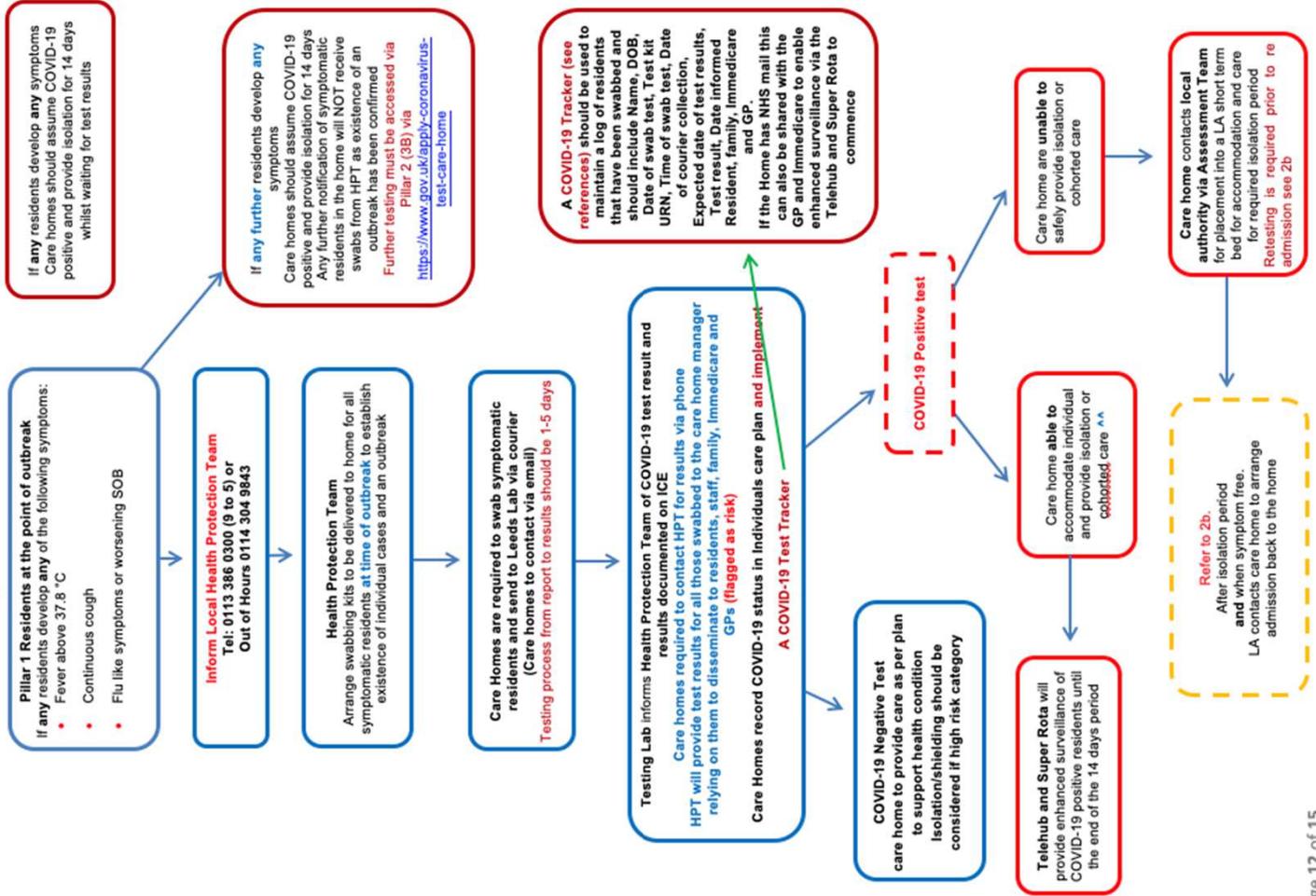


NO^ - consider if admission to a LA non COVID suite required to meet keep homes infection free principle
 ^^ Telehub and Super Rota will provide enhanced surveillance of COVID-19 positive residents for 14 days and beyond if remains unwell

2. Admission from community OR transferring from one care home to another



1. Pillar 1: Residents at the point of outbreak in a Care home



3b. Pillar 2 – Whole Home Testing for care home residents and staff* for ongoing/post outbreak.

The DHSC Pillar 2 is now delivering the whole home testing approach following identification of an outbreak and initial testing of first cohort of residents

Once the DHSC process is delivering at full capacity it may be possible to test those homes that do not have an outbreak, potentially providing a regular testing offer across the sector

