

# Middlesex-London Paramedic Service – Destination Agreement

## COVID-19 PATIENTS DIRECT ADMISSION TO RESPIROLOGY

### BACKGROUND

Victoria Hospital has been designated as the COVID-19 LUC3 ambulatory treatment centre for London Health Sciences Centre and the Southwestern Ontario Region as determined by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. Under this program, some patients that have been diagnosed as positive for COVID-19 may be released to a private residence to recover and/or are followed by LHSC London Urgent COVID-19 Care Clinic (LUC3).

During the course of follow up a physician may wish the patient to return to hospital, based on physician assessment or based on vital signs that have fallen below parameters prescribed on the patient's release to home.

At the request of the attending physician the patient may be recalled to LHSC to be admitted directly to Respirology/Medicine. The purpose of this is to reduce potential exposures to a COVID-19 positive patient and to expedite the patient's definitive care.

### INCLUSIONS

- Patient is confirmed COVID-19 positive
- Patient has been identified as a direct admit to LHSC Respirology, London Urgent COVID-19 Care Clinic (LUC3)
- Patient triaged CTAS 3, 4 or 5

### EXCLUSIONS

- CTAS Level 1

### PROTOCOL

#### CTAS 3, 4 and 5 Patients

1. Confirm that patient is being followed by LHSC London Urgent COVID-19 Care Clinic (LUC3).
2. Confirm that patient has been given direction to return directly to Respirology/Medicine.
3. Confirm the destination for the patient and transport directly to Respirology/Medicine:
  - a. Victoria Hospital Respirology unit or within Medicine
  - b. University Hospital Medicine inpatient unit (4IP)

#### CTAS 2 Patients

1. If the patient is a CTAS 2, transport to the closest emergency department.
  - a. Pre-alert Emergency Department that you are transporting a COVID positive patient that is being admitted directly to Respirology/Medicine to the Emergency Department

**CONTRAINDICATIONS**

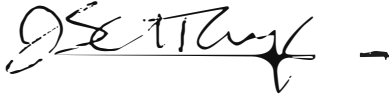
- Patient is CTAS 1

*All CTAS 1 patients are to be transported to the closest Emergency Department.*

This policy will be implemented on a trial basis and will be re-evaluated after six months. Either party may choose to end this agreement at any time.

For **LHSC**:

Per



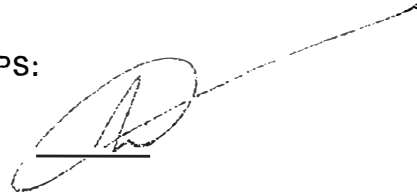
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Interim President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: 12 May 2021

*On behalf of the London Health Sciences Centre*

For **MLPS**:

Per:



Neal Roberts  
Chief/Director of Middlesex London Paramedic Services

Date: MAY 5, 2021

*On behalf of Middlesex-London Paramedic Service*