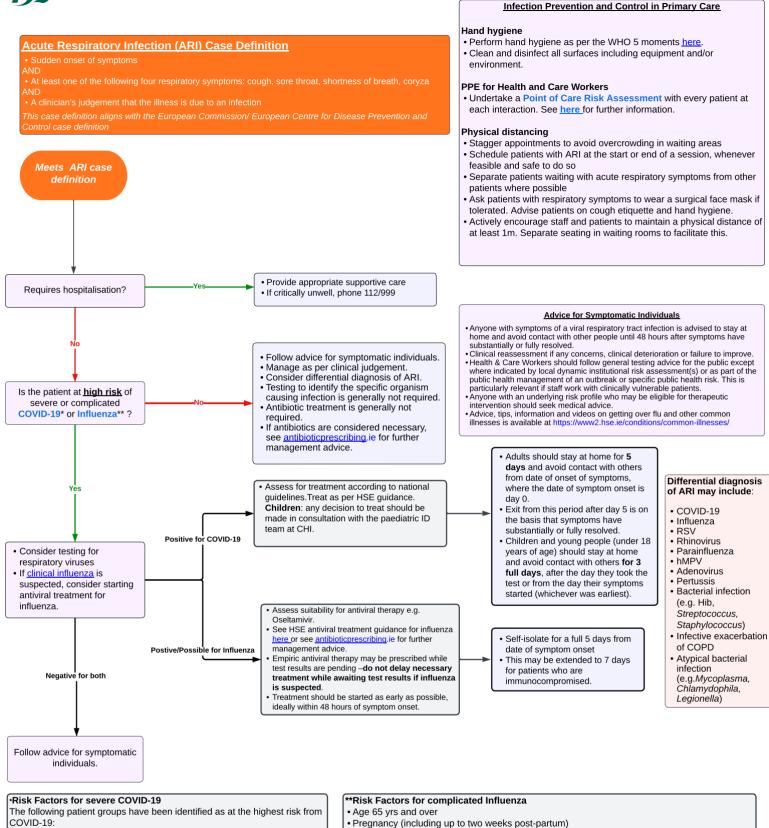


Management of adults and children presenting with symptoms of acute respiratory infections (ARI) at Primary Care Facilities when influenza is circulating



- · Immunocompromised
- Persons ≥65 yrs who have not had COVID-19 infection within the past 3
- months or not received a vaccine within the previous 6 months
- · Persons aged over 18 yrs who have not had COVID-19 infection within the past 3 months or not received a vaccine within the previous 6 months and have additional risk factors

Additional risk factors include:

 Obesity (BMI > 35) Diabetes mellitus Hypertension Cardiovascular disease Chronic lung disease

See here for more information on at-risk groups.

- Children aged <2 yrs
- Chronic respiratory disease including those on medication for asthma
- Chronic heart, kidney, liver or neurological disease
- Diabetes mellitus Haemoglobinopathies
- Immunosuppression (whether due to treatment or disease e.g. HIV)
- Morbid obesity (BMI ≥40)
- Those with any condition that can compromise respiratory function (e.g. cognitive dysfunction, spinal cord injury, seizure disorder, or other neuromuscular disorder), especially those attending special schools/day centres.
- Those with Down Syndrome
 - Persons with moderate to severe neurodevelopmental disorders such as cerebral palsy and intellectual disability
- Residents of nursing homes or RCF.