COVID-19 Notice

Monday 23 March 2020



Surveillance tool

NIAS EAC previously activated a surveillance tool meaning that 999 callers could be asked about the potential for COVID-19 infection. This has been extended over the past two weeks and currently all calls are being screened for potential infection of the patient or household members, regardless of the nature of the call. Crews should be advised by EAC ahead of attending the call if it is known that PPE is required.

The responding attendant must still check with the patient and bystanders on arrival, and if there is an unforeseen need for PPE identified at this stage then this should be donned before directly assessing the patient.