## Area or Department

## COVID 19 Risk assessments for staff / volunteers



## **Raised Risk of Severe Illness**

For those at **Raised Risk of Severe Illness**, staff can continue to work as long as they practice social distancing and strict hygiene measures. These members of staff should not be working face to face with confirmed or suspected cases of COVID-19.

- chronic (long-term) respiratory diseases, such as asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), emphysema or bronchitis
- chronic heart disease, such as heart failure
- chronic kidney disease
- hypertension
- chronic liver disease requiring immunosuppressive medication or having progressed to severe fibrosis or cirrhosis.
- chronic neurological conditions requiring regular treatments such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease, multiple sclerosis (MS), a learning disability or cerebral palsy
- diabetes
- splenic dysfunction
- a weakened immune system as the result of conditions such as HIV and AIDS, or medicines such as steroid tablets or chemotherapy
- being seriously overweight (a BMI of 40 or above)

A more exhaustive list of conditions, including exceptions, can be found in <u>Guidance for Health and Social Care and Emergency Workers with</u> <u>Underlying Health Conditions.</u> (Intranet connection required)