**Acutely unwell adults - admission decisions during COVID**

**TST**

**To arrange admission**

Call SPL (8am-9pm 7days) as usual, option to discuss with 2y-care clinician in 3-way conversation before admission.

**To discuss uncertain admission or for advice around escalation:**

**TST - Frail older people**: 0830-1630 Mon-Fri: geriatrician via Consultant Connect, or a single call via SPL to allow 3-way conversation and arrangement of admission in one call.

**TST - Admission decision support for other groups**: 0800-2000 seven days: acute medicine phone via SPL allows 3-way conversation and arrangement of admission in one call, or call directly on 07767440794.

Consultants taking calls will be aware of the hospital situation and should be well placed to advise. Please be prepared for a short wait – we may be with a patient.

As usual COVID/non-Covid , unstable/very unwell: direct admission to ED

**Beyond these hours:**

Medical SpR or consultant on call via switchboard

MPH 01823 333444 (as per usual)

**Direct contact numbers for specialty advice in hours (0900-1700)**

**TST:**

Geriatric medicine, endocrinology, urology, spinal surgery, paeds, gynae, ENT, vascular: Consultant Connect (numbers unique to each surgery)

Respiratory: Consultant Mobile 07867408463 Nurses Mobile 07788725139

Neurology: via office01823 344037.   A&G by email

Stroke: nurse practitioners until 8pm via Dunkery ward on 342022 or bleep 3022 via 01823 333444 Stroke consultant via 07795013158 (stroke mobile) including weekends during this pandemic

Rheumatology: office 01823 342132,   A+G [Rheumatology.patientqueries@tst.nhs.uk](mailto:Rheumatology.patientqueries@tst.nhs.uk), urgent mobile advice via switchboard.

Cardiology: office on 01823 343824; separate published guidance for booking clinics

Oncology: cancer helpline on 01823 342436; round the clock