

## Steroid injections and Coronavirus (COVID-19)

There is a small amount of evidence that steroid injections may increase the risk of, exacerbate or prolong a coronavirus (Covid-19) infection. This risks are currently unknown as definitive data is not yet available. On this basis we are asking all patients requiring steroid injections to complete these additional questions.

<b>Are you suffering from any underlying health condition listed below:</b>		
Chronic (long-term) respiratory diseases, such as asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), emphysema or bronchitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Chronic heart disease, such as heart failure	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Chronic kidney disease	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Chronic liver disease, such as hepatitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Chronic neurological conditions, such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease, multiple sclerosis (MS), a learning disability or cerebral palsy	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Problems with your spleen – for example, sickle cell disease or if you have had your spleen removed	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
A weakened immune system as the result of conditions such as HIV and AIDS, or medicines such as steroid tablets or chemotherapy	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Seriously overweight (a body mass index (BMI) of 40 or above)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Received an organ transplant and remain on ongoing immunosuppression medication	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Undergoing active chemotherapy or radiotherapy	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Any cancers of the blood or bone marrow such as leukaemia who are at any stage of treatment	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Severe chest conditions such as cystic fibrosis or severe asthma (requiring hospital admissions or courses of steroid tablets)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
People with severe diseases of body systems, such as severe kidney disease (dialysis)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you have a fever?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you have a persistent cough?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you had any known exposure to a known COVID-19 case?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Please be aware that steroids do temporarily weaken the immune system and as a result there may be an increased risk of contracting COVID 19 or possibly suffering a more severe or prolonged disease or infectious period following steroid injections</b>		
Patient Signature:		
Radiologist Signature:		
Date:		