

# COVID-19 NON-Transport Guideline

**PURPOSE:** To establish temporary guidelines for the identification of patients who are at low risk for complications and can safely stay at home when healthcare facilities and/or EMS resources are overwhelmed or are likely to become overwhelmed.

Has the Patient met criteria for a Suspected COVID-19 Patient as outlined in the COVID-19 Screening Tool?

YES

NO

## PATIENT ASSESSMENT

- Does the patient have a fever that has been greater than 100.40F?
- Does the patient have symptoms of viral syndrome illness (cough, nasal and chest congestion, sore throat, body aches)?
- Is the patient < 50 years old?
- Vital signs
  - Respiratory Rate >8 or <20
  - Ambulatory O2 Saturation > 94%
  - Heart Rate < 100 bpm
  - Systolic BP at least 100
  - GCS 15 2

NO to ANY

Proceed with standard medical treatment and transport protocols.

YES to ALL

## EXCLUSIONS:

- Chest pain, other than mild with coughing
- Shortness of breath with activity
- Syncope
- Diaphoretic
- Cyanotic
- Respiratory Distress
- Other exclusions defined by the medical director

YES to Any

NO to ALL

## NON-TRANSPORT DISPOSITION:

Consider non-transport if the following conditions are met.

- *The patient has a support system.*
- *The patient is competent.*
- *The patient consents to not being transported.*
- *The EMS provider notifies local public health authorities.*
- *Patient should be followed up by calling your local public health department OR Ballard Nurse Connect (423-952-5700) or comparable local hospital service.*