

1. The potential extent and impact of the impending pandemic is unknown at present. Depending on the scale of spread and severity of cases there could be a significant reduction in staffing levels and increased acute patient demand. If this should transpire, the Walsall COVID-19 Response Team would need to consider some or all of the following interventions.
2. The interventions required would depend on the specifics of the scenario and any PHE, CCG or NHSE guidance issued at that time.
3. If undertaking any of these measures or interventions, the COVID-19 Response Team must ensure the response is reasonable, Proportionate and in the wider best interests of Walsall patients and staff.
4. Contractual aspects would need to be discussed with NHS England and Walsall CCG
5. In some circumstances additional funding or compensatory remuneration would need to be agreed for services provided or loss of income
6. Data protection or GDPR concerns should be discussed with practice IG leads
7. Medical Indemnity Providers can be consulted where necessary
8. The Response Team will create an Intervention Matrix which will Risk Stratify the range of potential interventions depending on their Potential impact to Safety and Quality. This Matrix will be used to aid decisions of which interventions to make as the pandemic progresses