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# Pathway for the verification of ALL expected deaths - NHS 111

This entire process should be completed within 6 hours of the initial call from NHS 111

visit

Request for death verification comes through via 111 For those patients resident in Liverpool Care Homes, Shift Manager should contact the Care Home and advise to contact Call to be made to the Immedicare who are able to provide family by Shift verification of deaths for these Manager to explain residents process and confirm location of patient Dispatch to home visit screen and proceed with

#### **PPE FOR VERIFICATION**

- Disposable apron
- Disposable gloves
- Fluid resistant surgical mask
- Bare below the elbows
- Gown and FFP3 are NOT recommended

### **OTHER ITEMS**

- Stethoscope
- Pen torch
- Alcohol wipes

## WHEN ATTENDING

- Limit time with patient
- Do not move patient
- Do not place items on surfaces
- No need to move/remove clothing
- Verify as per the following order
  - Heart-auscultation
  - Pupil response to light
  - Respiratory effortobservation of chest
  - Palpation of central pulse
  - Motor response-trapezius squeeze
- Clean stethoscope/torch with alcohol wipe

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# Pathway for the verification of ALL expected deaths - Health Care Professional Line

This entire process should be completed within 6 hours of the initial call from HCP

Request for death verification comes through via HCP line

HCP to be asked to explain the process, to family, and confirm location of patient For those patients resident in Liverpool Care Homes, Shift Manager should contact the Care Home and advise to contact Immedicare who are able to provide verification of deaths for these residents

Dispatch to home visit screen and proceed with visit

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- Eye protection
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