

Clinical Guideline:

Virtual Acute Care Unit: Pathway for Referrals by AMU Consultants

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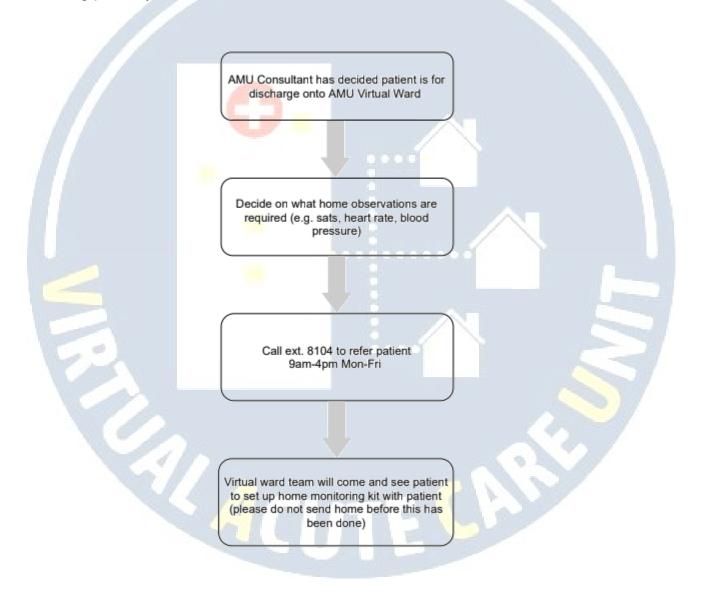
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1.0 Introduction

The Virtual Acute Care Unit manages acutely unwell patients at home with the use of remote monitoring equipment and daily phone / video calls in order to assist either admission avoidance or early discharge home. Currently VACU have pathways for management of PE, pneumonia, alcohol detox and COVID. Since establishing these routes into the virtual ward, clinicians identified other conditions which did not necessitate specific pathways. However such patients would benefit from management in VACU. Thus the following pathway was created:



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