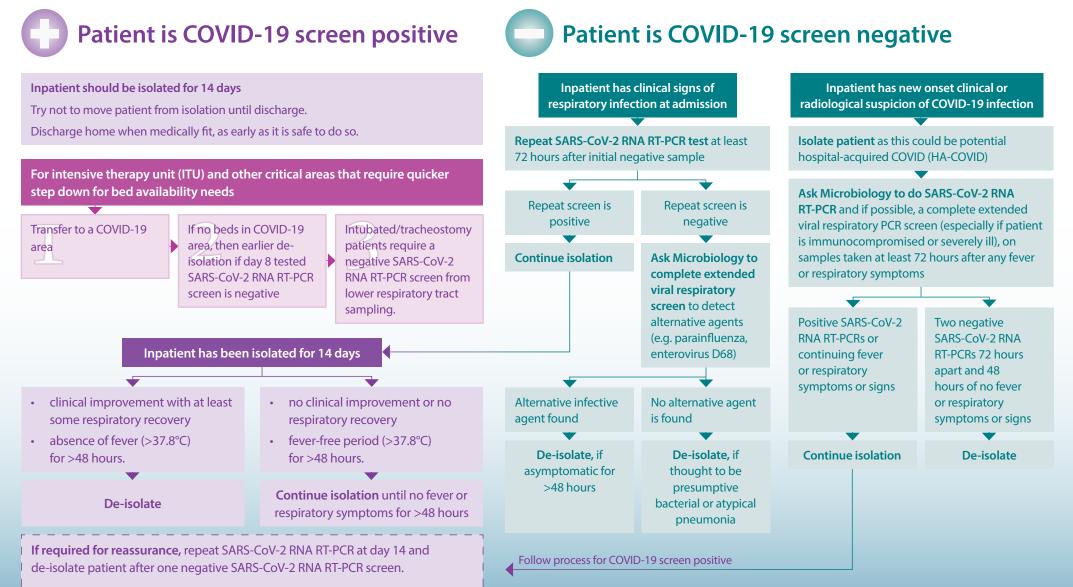


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## When to de-isolate and discharge COVID-19 patients



**For immunocompromised patients,** check for negative SARS-CoV-2 RNA RT-PCR after a minimum of 14 days before de-isolation – if SARS-CoV-2 RNA RT-PCR remains positive, repeat every 72 hours until a first negative PCR is achieved prior to de-isolation.

Trust. It follows PHE guidance: <u>Guidance for stepdown of infection control precautions and discharging</u> <u>COVID-19 patients and Chapter 6: Contraindications and special considerations of the Green Book</u>.

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