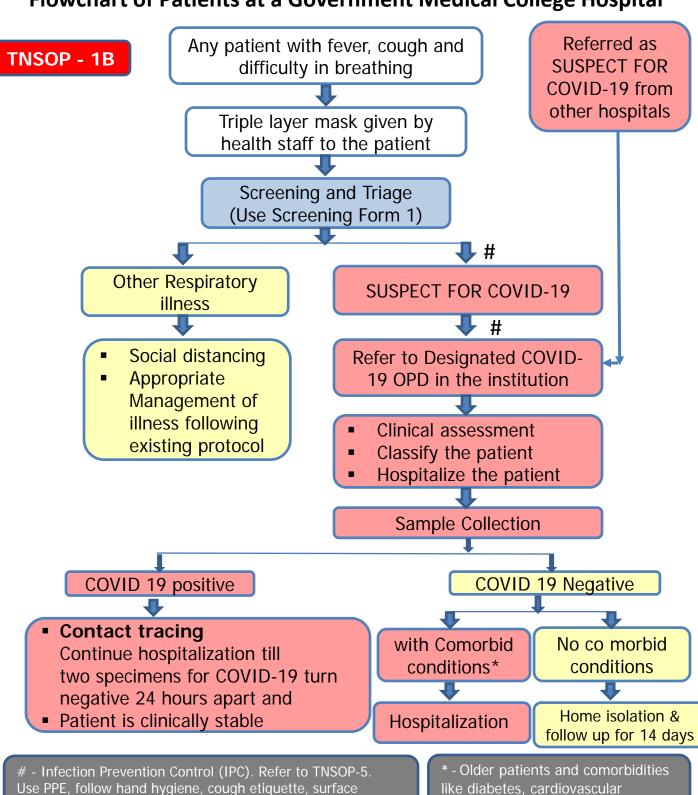# Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

Flowchart of Patients at a Government Medical College Hospital

TNSOP - 1B

Any patient with fever, cough and difficulty in breathing

Referred as SUSPECT FOR COVID-19 from other hospitals

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Triple layer mask given by health staff to the patient

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Screening and Triage (Use Screening Form 1)

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Other Respiratory illness

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- Social distancing
- Appropriate Management of illness following existing protocol

 # SUSPECT FOR COVID-19

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Refer to Designated COVID-19 OPD in the institution

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- Clinical assessment
- Classify the patient
- Hospitalize the patient

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Sample Collection

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COVID 19 positive

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- **Contact tracing** Continue hospitalization till two specimens for COVID-19 turn negative 24 hours apart and
- Patient is clinically stable

COVID 19 Negative

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with Comorbid conditions*

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Hospitalization

No co morbid conditions

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Home isolation & follow up for 14 days

- Infection Prevention Control (IPC). Refer to TNSOP-5. Use PPE, follow hand hygiene, cough etiquette, surface disinfection

* - Older patients and comorbidities like diabetes, cardiovascular disease, COPD

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