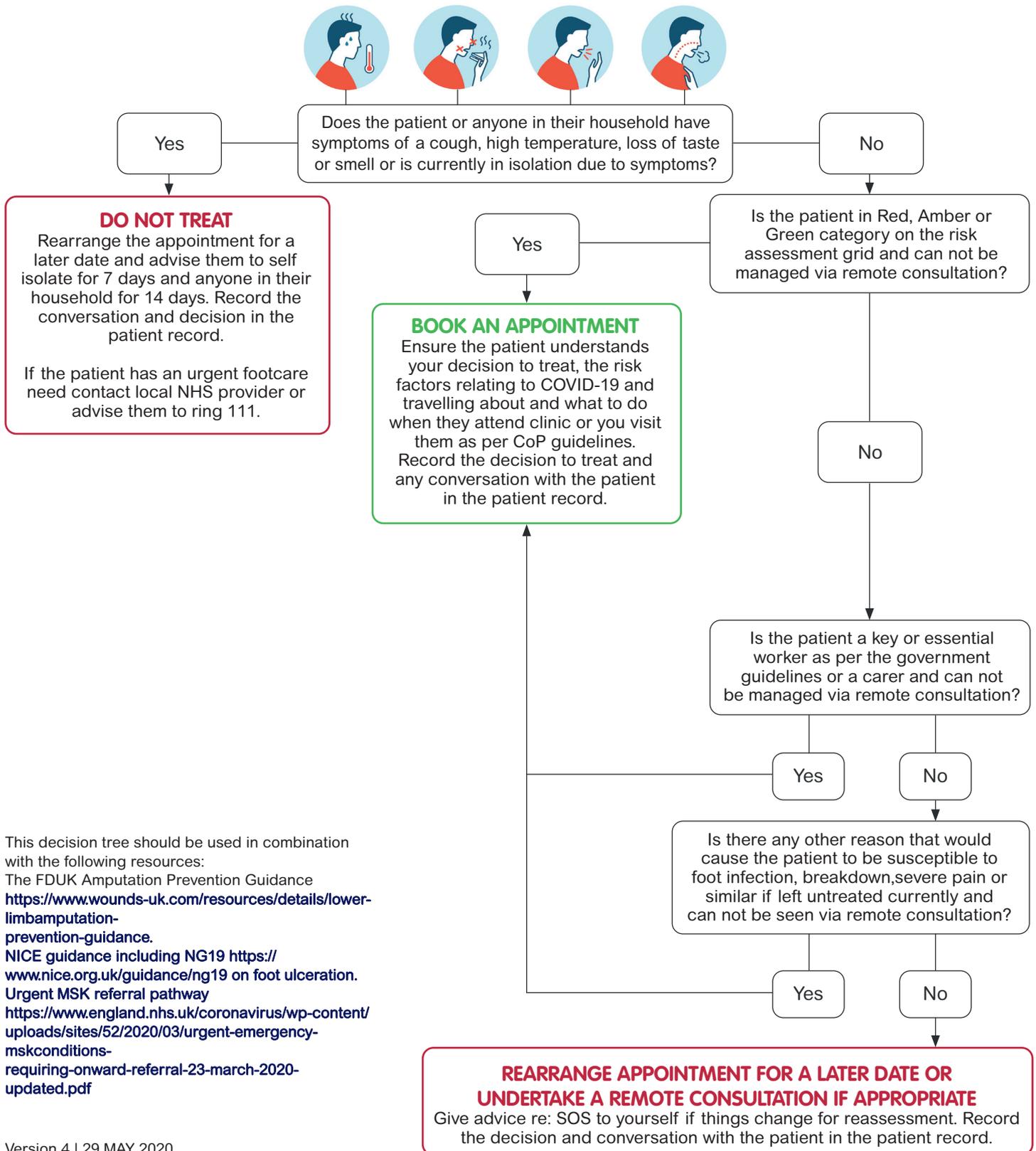


Decision Tree for Independent Practitioners

This is an aide memoir for independent practitioners to support their decision making during the Covid-19 pandemic. It is not designed to replace individual risk assessment, which should be carried out for each patient.

This chart should be used in conjunction with our risk assessment grid. If patients are able to be seen by remote consultation during the pandemic this should be the preferred way of seeing them. It is your clinical responsibility to balance the need to treat a patient's podiatric problem and the risk of exposing them to transmission of Covid-19.



This decision tree should be used in combination with the following resources:
 The FDUK Amputation Prevention Guidance <https://www.wounds-uk.com/resources/details/lower-limbamputation-prevention-guidance>.
 NICE guidance including NG19 <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng19> on foot ulceration.
 Urgent MSK referral pathway <https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2020/03/urgent-emergency-mskconditions-requiring-onward-referral-23-march-2020-updated.pdf>