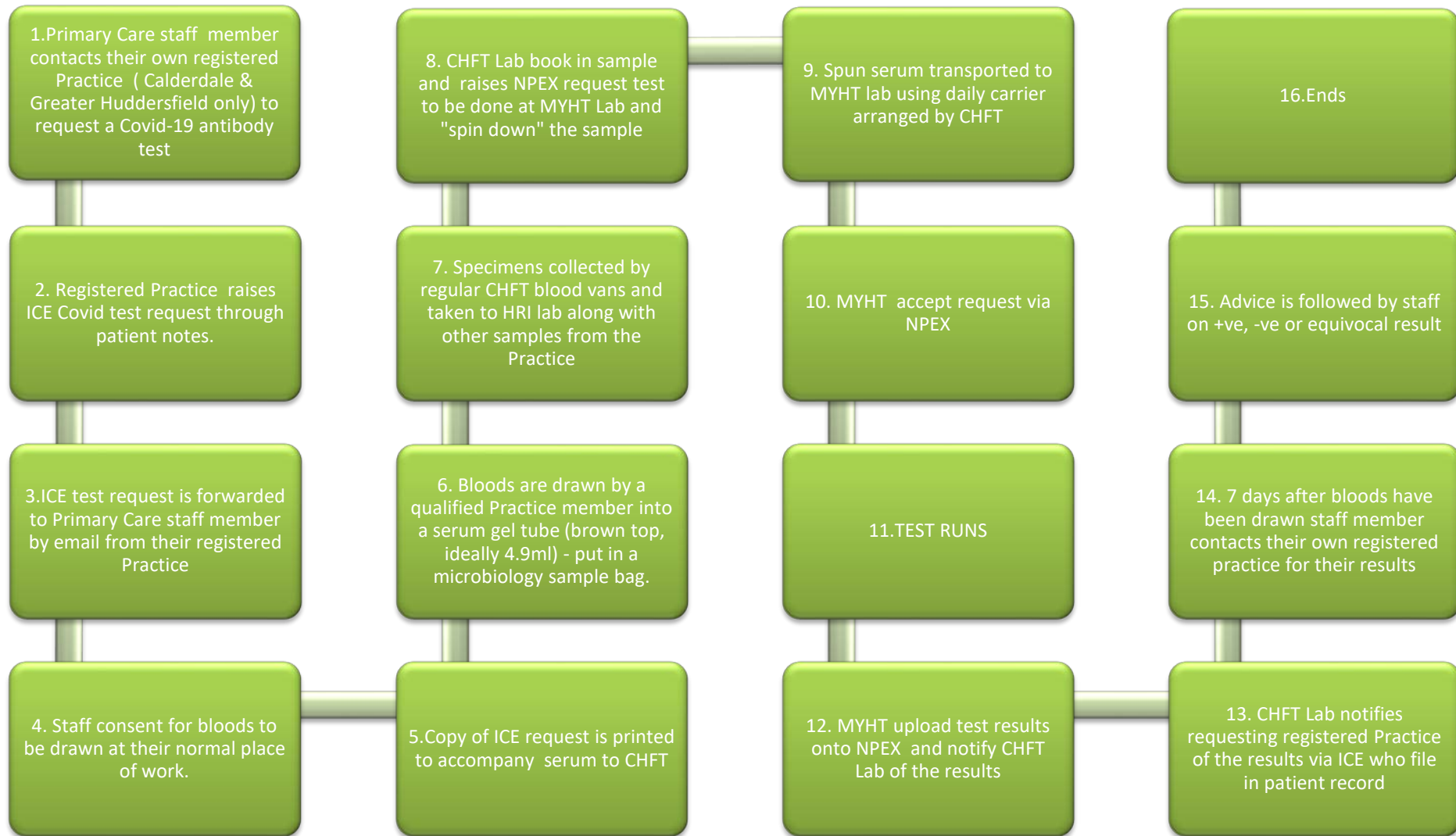


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### Guidance Note

This guidance note is to support the Primary Care Covid-19 Antibody Testing Flow Process; Greater Huddersfield.

1. The antibody test is voluntary and nobody is obliged to take the test. If a staff member wants to have a test they contact their own registered practice (telephone or email) to make a request for a Covid-19 antibody test.
2. The registered practice raises a diagnostic request for the patient through ICE as usual.
3. The ICE request is emailed to the originating staff member. Staff member may want to consider using their nhs.net address as a secure email source.
4. Each practice may want to consider having their own consent form signed by their staff member consenting to have blood drawn in their practice.

**In consenting to the antibody test for COVID-19 this result will be recorded in patient medical records and therefore may be disclosed in the information required by insurers and other applications including financial and the impact on this is currently unknown.**

5. The printed ICE request needs to accompany the serum to CHFT
6. Bloods are drawn and a serum gel tube used as shown;



7. There is no specific collection round for the collection of serum. They should be included in the regular Practice sample collection and sent into CHFT.
8. CHFT book the serum into their lab and “spin down” the sample whilst raising an NPEX request for MYHT to test the serum.
9. Samples are collated at CHFT and transported to MYHT lab at Pinderfields
10. MYHT link the NPEX request to the received samples.
11. The test runs on the Roche testing platform.
12. Results are notified to CHFT using the NPEX system
13. CHFT notify requesting practice of result who file the result in patient file
14. The staff member contacts their registered Practice for the result and/or the registered Practice may want to email the result to the staff member upon receipt.
15. For a +ve or –ve usual social distancing, PPE guidance and Government advice MUST continue to be followed. For an equivocal result the staff member could if they wish request another test repeating this process 14 days after their original test.
16. Ends