

24 September 2020 – Test & Trace



Please be aware of the new regulations for Test and Trace regarding Close Contact Businesses which includes Acupuncturists & Massage Therapists.

Information for Record Keeping:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/maintaining-records-of-staff-customers-and-visitors-to-support-nhs-test-and-trace>

Close Contact Services:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/close-contact-services>

In Summary (taken from above website):

The UK is currently experiencing a public health emergency as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. It is therefore critical that organisations take a range of measures to keep everyone safe. The easing of social and economic lockdown measures following the COVID-19 outbreak is being supported by NHS Test and Trace.

Venues in hospitality, the tourism and leisure industry, close contact services and local authority facilities must:

- ask at least one member of every party of customers or visitors (up to 6 people) to provide their name and contact details
- keep a record of all staff working on their premises and shift times on a given day and their contact details
- keep these records of customers, visitors and staff for 21 days and provide data to NHS Test and Trace if requested
- display an official NHS QR code poster so that customers and visitors can 'check in' using this option as an alternative to providing their contact details
- adhere to General Data Protection Regulations

Hospitality venues must also refuse entry to those who refuse to participate.

Failure to do any of these requirements will result in fixed penalty fines.

This guidance provides further instructions on how to fulfil these requirements in a proportionate and effective way.

To register for a QR Code Poster:

<https://www.gov.uk/create-coronavirus-qr-poster>