

URGENT & EMERGENCY REFERRALS

020 7272 3070

MEDICINE



Refer to Ambulatory Care Consultant (9-5) 07775 117679

Refer to Medical Registrar via switchboard (out of hours) bleep 3300

Consider Ambulatory Care for patients with a problem that cannot be managed in General Practice or outpatients, but who are likely to be discharged eg. possible DVT, PE, cellulitis, low risk pneumonia, pyelonephritis, renal colic etc
Access to the Frailty team via Ambulatory Care for urgent geriatric assessment

PAEDIATRICS



Refer to Paediatric Registrar via switchboard bleep 3111

Hot line for urgent advice (in hours) 07796 940840

Urgent Referral Clinic ("10-12 Clinic") download and email referral form
www.whittington.nhs.uk/mini-apps/medicalinformation/MIPage.asp?id=5

SURGERY



Refer to Surgical Registrar via switchboard bleep 3376

who will advise if Ambulatory Care is an appropriate alternative
Children under 6 should be referred to paediatrics instead

UROLOGY

Refer to Urology Registrar via switchboard

GYNAECOLOGY



Refer to Gynae Registrar via switchboard bleep 3040
who will advise whether to send to Women's Diagnostic Unit
(currently no walk-ins) or to the Emergency Department for Gynae review

OBSTETRICS

Send to Labour Ward triage (020 7288 5880)
if over 18 weeks, otherwise refer to Gynae Registrar as above
Non-obstetric emergencies dealt with in normal pathways

PLEASE DO NOT SEND PATIENTS TO THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WITHOUT A REFERRAL

Please call the relevant specialty to determine where the
patient should attend based on the clinical scenario.

**In an emergency, please contact the specialty team
once the patient is safely on route to hospital.**

If you cannot get through, please include the following in the letter:

- Which specialty should see this patient?
- Are they likely to require admission?
- What do they need?

INJURIES



Injuries can be sent to the Emergency Department 24hrs a day
for possible fractures (in hours) send to Level 3 Imaging with an x-ray form
or email the form to whh-tr.imagingappointments-whithealth@nhs.net
Images will be reviewed immediately and patients with fractures sent to ED

Alternatives if your patient doesn't need emergency care:



Specialties not available for urgent referral at the Whittington
include ENT, Plastics, Neurosurgery, Ophthalmology, Vascular.
Use alternative local pathways.

