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UHL GP NEWS

Medical Day Case – Blood transfusions (Updated)

What is changing?

Please note that the new process for Blood and Iron transfusions will be.

1. GP to refer patient into the Medical Day Case Unit (MDCU) via telephone initially **0116 2584012** following with a faxed letter as per existing process once accepted.
2. Twice a week these letters will be reviewed by a UHL consultant who the patient will be consequently booked under. They will either agree to the request or feed back to the GP if there are concerns.
3. MDCU will book the patient in as current process.

If you feel the patient needs earlier intervention than that this interim process can offer, please contact on call medical consultant on-call via switch board.

If a plan for regular or as required transfusions has already been agreed by a UHL clinician then please include that in your referral and MDCU will be able to book the patient straight in.

When is this changing?

Immediately

Who or what is affected?

Blood and Iron Transfusions

Why is this changing?

For several years we have provided a service for GP's to refer in to the Medical Day Case unit at the LGH for blood and iron transfusions. This has provided a valuable service to patients. However a recent incident has found omissions in our UHL clinical governance.

In the short term we have needed to put in an urgent interim process which will give us time to look at the best process going forward.

Who to contact for more information?

If you have any queries regarding this process, please contact Rachel Marsh, Clinical Director at Rachel.marsh@uhl-tr.nhs.uk

