

On the Move Programme

GP Bulletin

5th June 2015

Migration of Bone Marrow Transplant from the Beatson Oncology Centre to South Glasgow University Hospital

Migration of the Royal Hospital for Sick Children

1. The Bone Marrow Transplant wards in the Beatson Oncology Centre will move into the South Glasgow University Hospital on 6th June 2015 together with the final ward moves from Gartnavel General Hospital.

This completes the adult moves into the new hospital.

2. The Royal Hospital for Sick Children (RHSC) at Yorkhill moves into the new Royal Hospital for Sick Children on South Glasgow site from 10th – 12th June 2015.

The Emergency Department at RHSC, Yorkhill will close at 8 a.m. on 10th June 2015 and the Emergency Department in the new RHSC, South Glasgow, will open at 8 a.m. on 10th June 2015.

The Emergency Department will now see children up to their 16th birthday.

The telephone number for switchboard at the new RHSC is: **0141 201 0000**.

This concludes the paediatric moves.

2.1 Acute Paediatric Medical and Surgical Referrals for NHSGGC Patients

The new Royal Hospital for Sick Children (RHSC), South Glasgow, will see paediatric patients up to their 16th birthday.

All acute paediatric medical and surgical GP referrals will be seen in the RHSC Emergency Department (ED) in the first instance.

2.2 GPs Wishing to Refer a Paediatric Patient for Assessment

Acute Paediatric Medical Referrals

If a GP wishes to refer a paediatric patient for medical assessment in the ED they should call the direct referral line **0141 452 4670** and give the following details to the clerk who answers the phone:

1. Patient's name
2. Patient's age
3. Working diagnosis/concern

The child will be triaged in the ED and assessed from there.

Acute Paediatric Surgical Referrals

If a GP wishes to refer a paediatric patient for surgical assessment in the ED they should call the direct referral line **0141 452 4670** and give the following details to the clerk who answers the phone:

1. Patient's name
2. Patient's age
3. Working diagnosis/concern

The child will be triaged in the ED and assessed from there.

Please ensure that the patient fasts (unless there is any contraindication) from the time of referral, in case they do require surgery.

This referral pathway **does not** include surgical specialty paediatric patients - ENT / Maxillofacial / Neurosurgery / Ophthalmology / Orthopaedics / Plastic Surgery. These patients should be referred to the appropriate on-call paediatric surgical specialty doctor via the RHSC South Glasgow switchboard **0141 201 0000**.

2.3 GPs Seeking Advice

GP seeking advice regarding a paediatric medical patient:

If a GP wishes to speak to a middle grade paediatric doctor for medical advice, they should contact the RHSC South Glasgow switchboard **0141 201 0000** and ask to speak to the paediatric medical registrar on-call.

GP seeking advice regarding a paediatric surgical patient:

If a GP wishes to speak to a middle grade paediatric surgeon for surgical advice, they should contact the RHSC South Glasgow switchboard **0141 201 0000** and ask to speak to the paediatric surgical registrar on-call.

If the patient is outwith the NHSGGC health board area (e.g. Lanarkshire) then the child should be referred to the paediatric team at their local district general hospital (DGH) where they should be initially assessed. If, following review, the paediatric team at the local DGH feel the child requires referral for a paediatric surgical opinion at RHSC they will arrange referral.

Advice regarding paediatric surgical referrals from outwith the NHSGGC health board area can still be sought from the RHSC paediatric surgical registrar on-call who can assess whether a case needs urgent transfer to RHSC, or can be seen by the paediatric team at the local DGH first.

2.4 Royal Alexandra Hospital (RAH) Paisley

GPs Wishing to Refer a Paediatric Patient for Assessment

Acute Paediatric Medical Referrals

If a GP wishes to refer a paediatric patient to the RAH for assessment by the paediatric medical team, they should call the direct referral line **0141 314 6027** and give the following details to the clerk who answers the phone:

1. Patient's name
2. Patient's age
3. Working diagnosis/concern
4. That the referral is for the paediatric medical team

Children who are transferred to the RAH by ambulance will continue to be triaged in the ED and assessed from there.

Acute Paediatric Surgical Referrals

If a GP wishes to refer a paediatric patient from the RAH catchment area for surgical assessment, they can be referred to RHSC ED via the direct phone line/process outlined above. If a GP is not sure whether the patient has a medical or surgical problem, they should be referred to the paediatric medical team at RAH in the first instance.

2.5 GPs Seeking Advice.

GP seeking advice regarding a paediatric medical patient:

If a GP wishes to speak to a middle grade paediatric doctor for medical advice, they should contact the RAH switchboard **0141 887 9111** and ask to speak to the paediatric medical registrar on-call.

GP seeking advice regarding a paediatric surgical patient:

If a GP wishes to speak to a middle grade paediatric surgeon for surgical advice, they should contact the RHSC South Glasgow switchboard **0141 201 0000** and ask to speak to the paediatric surgical registrar on call.

3. Communication to Patients

Information on these changes has been provided to patients via the household booklet which was circulated to all household in the Board area, Radio Clyde adverts and website and the Health Board's website.