

Clozapine Pathways

Clozapine GP Shared Care Arrangements

RED Results Pathway

As per TGA endorsed clozapine management protocols the participant is to be seen every 7 or 28 days (depending on whether they are on weekly or 4 weekly monitoring) for clinical assessment of signs and symptoms of infection

Blood results returned to GP with copy to nominated CMHS **RED** Result Noted

Treating psychiatrist notified by Clozapine Coordinator (CC)

CC notifies GP of **RED** results and discusses Plan

Participant notified of **RED** results, advised of increased risk of infection & the need to attend hospital if febrile/unwell. Requested to have repeat blood test within 24hrs and told not to take clozapine

In metro GP returns management to CMHS clinic & treating psychiatrist. Rural GPs continue to manage in conjunction with treating psychiatrist & CC support

CC enters **RED** blood result into eCPMS database

CC & GP notified by automated eCPMS fax

Within 24 Hours – Participant is to have a repeat blood test

If second blood result is **RED**, participant advised of the result & not to take any clozapine. Urgent review appointment is arranged at the CMHS with psychiatrist and CC. In rural / remote areas urgent GP and Telehealth psychiatrist review arranged.

Participant notified of second blood result. Depending on the result return to **AMBER** or **GREEN** pathway

Metro CC / rural GP completes a physical health review including temperature, pulse, BP and signs and symptoms of infection. If evidence of infection present, urgent transfer to ED is required.

MSE of participant by psychiatrist. Participant advised that management will return to the CMHS in conjunction with the GP for rural / remote as increased monitoring is required. Alternative antipsychotic medication is prescribed.
NO CLOZAPINE PRESCRIPTION GIVEN

The participant has daily CBE blood testing until results are in the **AMBER** range, then twice weekly until in the **GREEN** range. Once bloods results are back in the **GREEN** range, continue blood monitoring for 4 weeks post-cessation either weekly or 4 weekly depending on monitoring frequency

CC enters all blood result into eCPMS and completes the discontinuation form