

## **ORTHOPAEDICS**

### NALHN Outpatient Service Information, Triage & Referral Guidelines

### **Description of Service:**

Tertiary Level Orthopaedic Outpatient Services are provided at both Lyell McEwin Hospital and Modbury Hospital.

Patients may be seen in Outpatients at either site for most conditions, however all Multi-day surgery will be undertaken at Lyell McEwin Hospital.

#### **Conditions Seen Include:**

- > Trauma/Fracture
- > Osteoarthritis
- > Hips and Knees
- > Shoulder and Elbow
- Wrist and Hand (NB: Carpal Tunnels should have Nerve Conduction studies undertaken prior to referral
- Foot and Ankle
- > Suspected Bone and Soft Tissue Tumours
- > Neonatal and Children's Orthopaedic Conditions

Septic Arthritis and Slipped Capital Femoral Epiphysis – Referrals only through the LMH On-Call service

### **Exclusions:**

- > Back Pain
- Bakers Cyst not treated operatively (excluding semimembranosus bursa in children)
- Spinal Conditions and Spinal Trauma this service is provided at RAH
- Complex Hand Trauma should be referred to RAH
- > Chronic Pain Syndromes
- Charcot Joints with Ulceration should be referred to the LMH Allied Health Department
- Alternative Pathways for Musculoskeletal Conditions and management can be found in the Northern Health Network Chronic Disease Referral Pathways. <a href="http://www.northernhealth.net/">http://www.northernhealth.net/</a>

### **Referral Criteria:**

- > Please do not refer patients with results pending all results must be included with the referral.
- > Please include copies of all reports and results, inclusive of recent X-Rays and scans.
- > Please include information on all conservative management undertaken.
- > Patients' BMI should be included in referrals. Patients referred for Joint Replacement Surgery <u>must have a</u> **BMI<40**

Referrals should provide as much information as possible to ensure accurate referral and timely access. Incomplete referrals, or referrals with inadequate information, will be returned unactioned

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URGENT Target < 1month	SEMI-URGENT Target <3months	NON-URGENT/ROUTINE
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### **Consultants**

### LMH – all sub-specialties

- > Prof E Mah (Head of Unit)
- > Mr P Allcock
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- > Mr J Webb
- > Dr B Wong (Orthogeriatrician)

#### **MODBURY**

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- > Mr S Dan
- > Mr S Hussenbocus
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### For More Information or to Make a Referral

Location: LMH OPD Area 1 - Ground Floor LMH

Referral Fax Number: 8182 9499

Phone Number: via LMH Switchboard 8182 9000 or Orthopaedic on call Registrar for urgent referral (0466 937 060)

Location: MH OPD Area 2& 1P - Ground Floor MH

Referral Fax Number: 8161 2591

Phone Number: via MH Switchboard 8161 2000

For more information about NALHN Outpatient services - <a href="www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/NALHNoutpatients">www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/NALHNoutpatients</a>

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