# **URGENT REFERRAL**

## Your appointment is very important





**YOUR DOCTOR/DENTIST** has requested you are seen by a specialist or have a test within the next 14 days.

Please make sure your surgery has your most up to date contact address and telephone numbers.

It is important you make yourself available and attend this appointment.

**REMEMBER**: A referral does not mean you have cancer, however, your doctor/ dentist wants you to be seen at the earliest opportunity.

#### What is the Two Week FastTrack Scheme?

A national scheme to ensure anyone with symptoms/initial test results that may be suspicious of cancer will be seen by a specialist or have a specialist test within two weeks.

The aim is to exclude cancer or provide diagnosis, intervention and treatment if required, at the earliest opportunity.

#### Should I be worried?

The need for an early appointment does not necessarily mean you have cancer, however your doctor/dentist would like you to be seen by a specialist at the earliest opportunity.

## When and how will I get my appointment?

You will either have arranged an appointment before leaving the surgery, or you will have been given a letter which explains how to book this. If no appointments are available and you have to 'request clinic contact', a member of the hospital team will contact you. In some instances your GP will contact the 2 Week Wait Bureau (2WW) to call you and arrange your appointment. Your GP will explain the referral pathway to you. It is important that you make every effort to attend your appointment, at the time offered.

After your initial appointment, additional tests and appointments may be required. It is important that you make every effort to attend all hospital appointments at the times offered to you in order to progress your care.

## **WHAT HAPPENS NOW?**

- You will have your appointment, be expecting a telephone call from the 2WW Bureau or have been given a letter with details of how to book your appointment. You need to book your appointment at the earliest opportunity so we can provide an appointment for you within the next fourteen days.
- You are welcome to bring a family member or friend with you.
- Please contact the 2WW Bureau on 01865 231404 if you have any queries regarding your appointment. We recommend that you do not delay this appointment, but if you do need to change it, please contact the 2 Week Wait Appointment Bureau on 01865 231404. (Opening hours 8am-6pm Monday to Friday for patients and GPs).

## **HOSPITAL ADDRESSES**

#### You will be seen at one of the following hospitals:

**Churchill Hospital** 

Old Road, Headington, Oxford, OX3 7LJ

**John Radcliffe Hospital** 

Headley Way, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9DU

**The Horton General Hospital** 

Oxford Road, Banbury, Oxfordshire, OX16 9AL

**Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre** 

Windmill Road, Headington, Oxford OX3 7LD

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