

Acute Medicine Referrals from GPs to King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill

Our Aims:

1. Treat patients in an ambulatory (outpatient) setting, avoiding admission where possible.
2. **Work closely with GPs as a team so as to prevent hospital admissions**, and at the same time excel in our mutual efforts to provide best patient care and satisfaction.

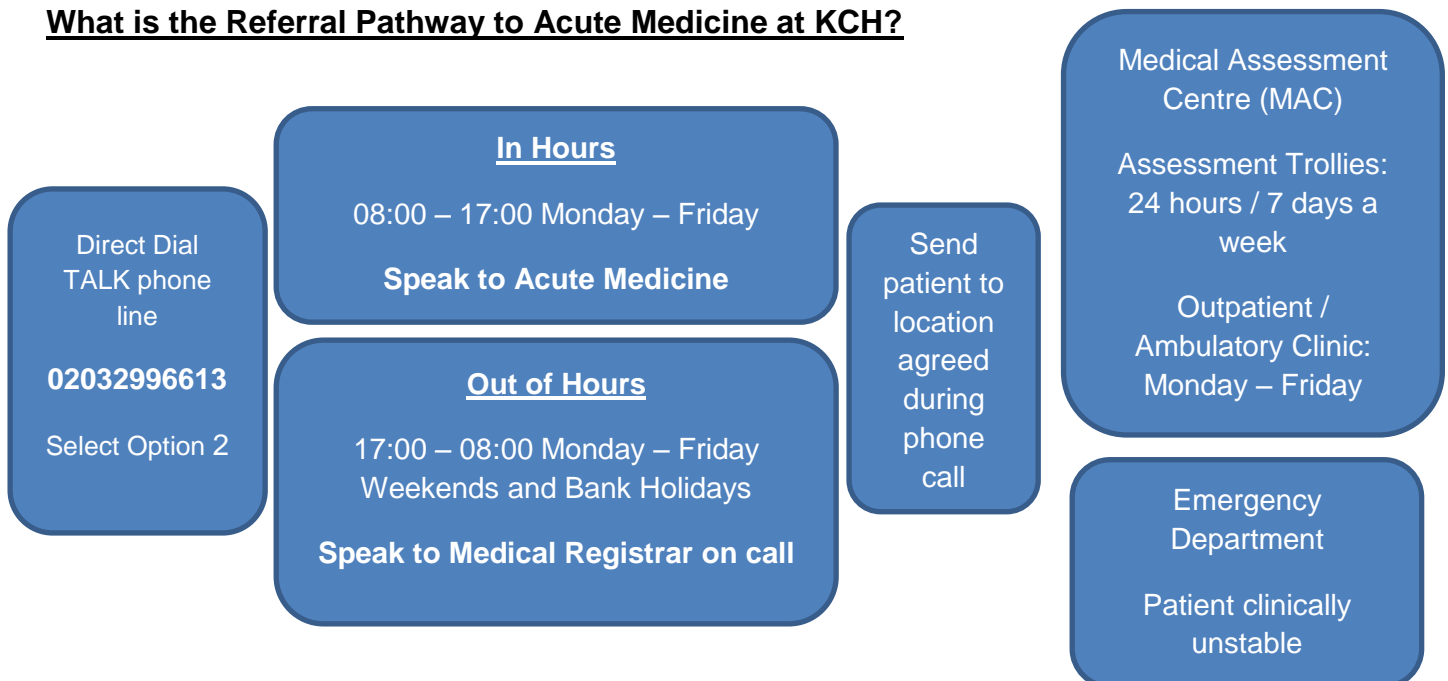
Which patients?

- Any unwell patient with a medical illness or diagnosis.

What can you/your patient expect from this service?

1. Prompt clinical review **without your patient waiting in ED**.
2. Acute Medical Consultant review of all patients.
3. Investigations as appropriate; Follow-up appointment in the Medical Assessment Centre (MAC), if clinically required
4. Direct admission to the Acute Medical Unit, if clinically indicated.
5. Phone advice/discussion – if you just wanted to talk about a patient.

What is the Referral Pathway to Acute Medicine at KCH?



What is the Medical Assessment Centre (MAC)?

- The MAC serves two functions:
 - A 24/7 clinical assessment area
 - A consultant-led, outpatient/ambulatory service, offering same/next day appointments
 - Open: Monday – Friday 08:00 – 17:00
- MAC is situated on **Twining Ward on the First Floor, Cheyne Wing**

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