

<b>Neurosurgery Spinal Fracture Multidisciplinary Referral Pathway</b>		
To provide advice and guidance on the patient referral pathway into the King's College Hospital Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) discussion for and Spinal Fracture outpatient appointment.		
<b>Conditions Treated</b>	A vertebral fracture to one of the bones in the spine (cervical, thoracic, lumbar). <b>Fractures to the sacrum and coccyx must be referred to the pelvic surgeons via orthopaedics.</b>	
<b>Suggested Investigations:</b>	Patients should have spinal imaging prior to referral within 10 working days. If the imaging was not done at King's College Hospital please send the imaging report with the referral and please IEP the images to King's College Hospital PACS (Failure to do this will result in rejection of the referral)	
<b>Referral screened by</b>	MDT Coordinator- non clinical	
<b>Frequency Multidisciplinary Team Meet</b>	Two times weekly. To discuss and review spinal fracture referrals coming into King's College hospital.	
<b>Administrative Requirements:</b>	Inter-hospital referrals via online form on PCS by Emergency Department (ED) doctor. ED doctor contacts King's Neurosurgeon on-call. On-call provides assessment and advice to make referral to make referral to fracture clinic. GP made via referrals community MSK Triage and Treat Team or clinical assessment and review required prior to onward referral to the complex spine team for review.	
<b>Service Notes:</b>	The Spinal fracture Neurosurgery is a virtual MDT looking at the referral and scan. <b>Patients does not attend.</b>	
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