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Dear Colleagues,

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Re: GP heralded patients at A&E

We are aware that GP heralded patients are still ending up in the Urgent Care Centre (UCC) or A&E despite the GP having spoken to the specialty teams directly and the patient having been given a letter.

To ensure patients are routed to the corrected speciality as quickly as possible and to avoid them ending up in the UCC or A&E, Hillingdon CCG and THH have developed a simple pathway (Appendix 1) which will enable GPs to direct patients directly to the Acute Medical Unit (AMU).

Please could I ask you to inform patients that they need to go to the Main Reception at Hillingdon Hospital and ask to be directed to the AMU?

A map is attached (Appendix 2) for your patients on how to get to the main reception which you can hand to patients with their referral letter.

If you have any queries please contact Seema Kathuria on s.kathuria@nhs.net

I would like to thank you in advance for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Dr Mitch Garsin

GB member and Lead for Urgent Care

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Appendix 1

GP Heralded Medical Patient Pathway

This pathway applies Monday - Friday 0800 - 1800

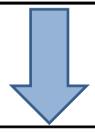
GP refers patient to Medical registrar via THH switchboard 01895238282

DVT Referrals - ext 2419

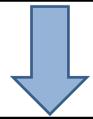
All other referrals - Bleep 5807 (Med Registrar)



Patient accepted by Medical Registrar



GP gives standard letter to patient and instructs attend Acute Medical Unit (AMU) <u>directly</u> via the Hospital Main Entrance.

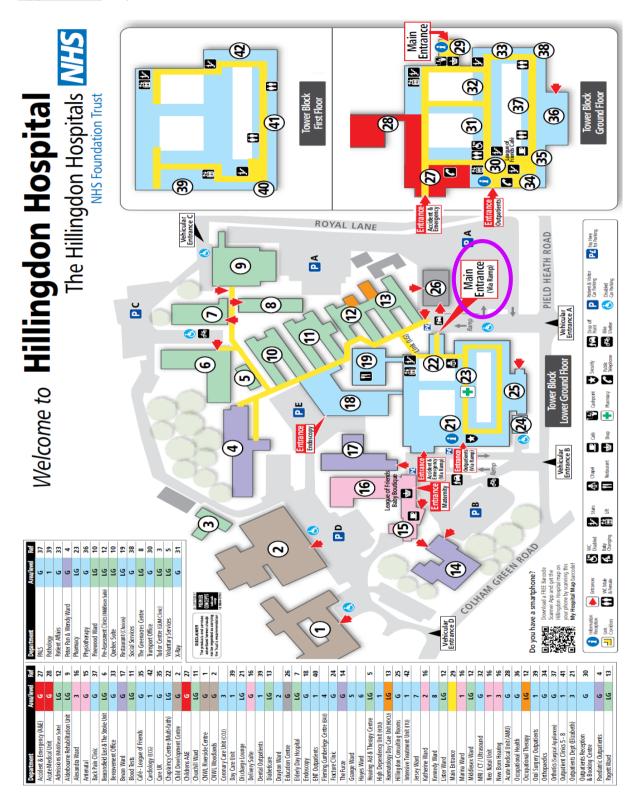


Patient arrives and is booked in at AMU reception

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Appendix 2: Map of THH



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