## Deep vein thrombosis ambulatory care

# **DVT REFERRAL PATHWAY**



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### **Ambulatory Care Patient Information Leaflet**

You are being investigated or treated for the cause of your illness and the medical team looking after you have decided that you are well enough to go home and have this done as an out-patient.

We would like you to return to the Acute Medical Unit Reception Area on / / where you will be seen in the Ambulatory Care Clinic.

- If you are being investigated for a clot in the leg the nursing staff there will contact you that morning with the exact time that you should attend.
- If you are being investigated for for a clot in the lung you should attend the Acute Medical Unit Reception Area at 10am.
- All other patients should be given a time to attend prior to discharge.

You may have been commenced on treatment while we wait to get the tests done and you may require further treatment at the clinic.

Sometimes it can take more than one day to arrange the tests you require, especially if you come at the weekend.

If you do require further tests, such as a scan, you should also return to the Ambulatory Care Clinic after the test. You will likely be given the result later that day and reviewed by medical staff there.

Please continue to take any other medications prescribed for you unless advised to stop them. Please be aware that you may spend some hours in the cllnic and please bring an overnight bag in case you subsequently need hospital admission.

You should attend the Emergency Department if you become more unwell after going home.

You can telephone for advice if you are unsure: Emergency Department - 0131- 2421300 Acute Medical Unit - 0131- 2421422

