



# Central Referral Service Scope

## *Specialties/services, referrers and referral types*

The Central Referral Service (CRS) has been set up to allocate referrals for a **first** specialist outpatient appointment at clinics within a public hospital.

<b><u>In scope for CRS</u></b>		
<b>Specialty/service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anaesthetics</li> <li>• Adolescence Medicine</li> <li>• Bariatric Surgery</li> <li>• Burns (post injury issues only)</li> <li>• Breast Surgery</li> <li>• Cardiology</li> <li>• Cardiothoracic</li> <li>• Dermatology</li> <li>• Ear, Nose and Throat</li> <li>• Endocrinology</li> <li>• Gastroenterology</li> <li>• General Medicine</li> <li>• General Surgery</li> <li>• Genetics</li> <li>• Gerontology</li> <li>• Gynaecology</li> <li>• Haematology</li> <li>• Hepatobiliary</li> <li>• Hyperbaric Medicine</li> <li>• Immunology</li> <li>• Infectious Diseases</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical Oncology</li> <li>• Neonatal</li> <li>• Neurology</li> <li>• Nephrology</li> <li>• Neurosurgery</li> <li>• Ophthalmology</li> <li>• Oral Maxillofacial Surgery</li> <li>• Orthopaedics</li> <li>• Paediatrics</li> <li>• Pain Management</li> <li>• Palliative Care</li> <li>• Plastic Surgery</li> <li>• Radiation Oncology</li> <li>• Rehabilitation</li> <li>• Renal</li> <li>• Respiratory Medicine</li> <li>• Rheumatology</li> <li>• Spinal Surgery</li> <li>• Urology</li> <li>• Vascular</li> </ul>
<b>Referrers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• External referrers – including:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ General Practitioners, Nurse Practitioners, Doctors from WACHS public hospitals referring into metro outpatients and Private Specialists referring into public specialist outpatient services</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Referral types</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Referrals for a first specialist outpatient appointment provided in a public metropolitan hospital (or within the South West for Gerontology, Haematology, Neurology and Paediatrics only)</li> </ul>	

<b><u>Out of scope for CRS</u></b>		
<b>Specialty/service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-medical led outpatient services (e.g. allied health, nursing, pharmacy)</li> <li>• Antenatal</li> <li>• Mental health services</li> <li>• Obstetrics</li> <li>• Regional outpatient services (except for public referrals for Gerontology, Haematology, Neurology and Paediatrics within the South West)</li> </ul>	
<b>Referrers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allied health and mental health professionals</li> <li>• Internal referrers (e.g. hospital-based clinicians)</li> </ul>	

<b>Referral types</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Immediate referrals (i.e. require review within 7 days)</li><li>• Internal referrals</li><li>• Named referrals</li><li>• Referrals for non-medical led outpatient services</li><li>• Referrals for a service provided in a community setting</li><li>• Referrals to a private specialist</li></ul>
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