

Urology Service – First Outpatient Appointment

Introduction

The Covid pandemic has had a significant impact on the NHS ability to provide routine elective services. We recognise that patients are waiting longer than we would all like and it is not always possible to identify when treatment will take place.

Waiting Times

As a guide, referral to treatment waiting times are available on the NHS [My Planned Care Website](#).

Guidance for Patients

Conditions Treated

Urology is the field of medicine that focuses on disease of the urinary tract and urogenital system. Urology focuses on the kidneys, urinary bladder, urethra, male reproductive organs and male fertility. Urologists are also trained in the surgical and medical treatment of diseases that affect these organs.

Procedures Performed

- Bladder (intravesical) chemotherapy
- Transurethral Resection of Bladder tumour
- Circumcision
- Cystoscopy and hydrostatic bladder distension
- Cystoscopy and insertion of ureteric stent
- Flexible cystoscopy (biopsy or stent removal)
- Nephrostomy tube insertion
- Hormone therapy for prostate cancer
- Investigation for suspected testicular torsion
- Kidney and ureter removal using keyhole surgery (laparoscopic radical nephroureterectomy)
- Kidney removal using keyhole surgery (laparoscopic nephrectomy)
- Laser surgery for an enlarged prostate
- Lengthening of the penile frenulum (frenuloplasty)
- Flexible cystoscopy

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- Removal of an epididymal cyst
- Removal of bladder stones (cystolitholapaxy - crushing of a bladder stone)
- Removal of kidney stones (ureteroscopic stone removal)
- Shockwave lithotripsy (SWL)
- Ureteroscopy
- Percutaneous nephrolithotomy (PCNL)
- Repair of a hydrocele
- Transrectal ultrasound-guided prostate biopsies
- Transurethral resection of the prostate
- Treating narrowing of the urethra (optical urethrotomy)
- Urodynamic studies
- Watchful waiting for prostate cancer

What should I do if my health is deteriorating?

The referral from your GP will have been reviewed and triaged by the team to grade your clinical priority based on the information in the referral.

If you are concerned that your condition or symptoms are deteriorating since you were referred to us, please contact the department. You will be asked the detail the changes in your condition/symptoms since seeing your GP at the time you were referred, and this will be passed to the clinical team will re-assess your priority.

In the case of needing emergency care or urgent review, please contact 111 or your own GP.

Contact Us

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