



GASTROINTESTINAL ENDOSCOPY, GASTROENTEROLOGY & HEPATOLOGY

Telephone: 9431 2300

'GP Hotline': Gastroenterology Registrar, Page through Switchboard 9431 3333

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SERVICES

Fremantle Hospital runs the only Combined Medical/Surgical Gastroenterology service in Western Australia offering a combined management (medical, endoscopic, laparoscopic & open surgery) for patients. It provides a comprehensive diagnostic & therapeutic endoscopy service: Gastroscopy, Colonoscopy, ERCP, Interventional Endoscopy (including Dilatation and Stenting), Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS), Coeliac plexus block, PEG tube insertion & Double Balloon Enteroscopy.

In addition Fremantle Hospital offers a service for Gastroenterology Emergencies (including bleeding), Hepatology, Viral Hepatitis, Inflammatory Bowel Disease and General Gastroenterology.

Procedures are performed at Fremantle, Kaleeya, Armadale and Rockingham Hospitals. A centralised waitlist for open access gastroscopy and colonoscopy in the South Metropolitan Region ensures the timely delivery of endoscopic services. GPs may refer patients directly to specific endoscopists or to Fremantle, Armadale or Rockingham/Kwinana District Hospitals. All requests will be prioritised by Consultant Endoscopists at the hospital where the request is received. The prioritised forms are then sent to the Regional Endoscopy Waitlist Office at Fremantle Hospital. Where possible the procedure will be performed at the public hospital within the patient's postcode catchment.

Ambulatory Surgery Initiative - is a wait reduction initiative for gastroscopy and colonoscopy. Suitable patients may be placed on the Ambulatory Care Waitlist and the procedures will be undertaken at either Kaleeya (which is now part of Fremantle Hospital) or Armadale Hospitals. In order to refer patients into this initiative, GPs must specify the proceduralist by name on the referral and confirm that the patient is suitable for Ambulatory Care (ambulatory, at least 40 years of age, under 120Kg & without significant co-morbidity). The names of consultants with the shortest waitlists are available by telephoning the Department on 9431 2300. The Regional Endoscopy Waitlist Office will notify both the patient and the GP of the proposed procedure date and hospital. Staff from the hospital nominated to undertake the procedure will contact all patients prior to the date of their procedure to ensure they are aware of the pre-procedure requirements, the nature of the procedure and to answer any questions they may have.

REFERRAL

Urgent: Priority '0', requires review in first available clinic.

Please phone the Registrar via switchboard on 9431 3333.

Please fax the referral, clearly marked "urgent" with any attached reports to Fax 9431 2009, ensuring that a fax header clearly identifies patient name, clinic referred to, appointment date and total number of pages.

The registrar may request a referral be faxed directly to clinic if patient attending within 48hrs.

Please also send the original by post marked with "Faxed" including date that it was Faxed.

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Routine General Referral: Priority 1-3 (ie within 30-365 days) must be sent via mail addressed to:

Outpatient Central Receiving Office
B10 Fremantle Hospital and Health Service
PO Box 480
Fremantle WA 6959

[ASI Gastroenterology referral form](#); Hard Copies: Telephone 9431 2300

ADDITIONAL REFERRAL INFORMATION

Gastroenterology *Clinical Priority Access Criteria (CPAC) Summary / Referral Recommendations for First Specialist Appointment*: <http://www.gp.health.wa.gov.au/CPAC/speciality/index.cfm>

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