

## Cardiology North Update:

We are pleased to announce that our Cardiology A&G Service via eRS for Frimley North will commence on **Monday 22nd June 2020**. This will mean that we are no longer accepting A&G / virtual clinic advice via the email address: [fhft.cardiologymedsecshwph@nhs.net](mailto:fhft.cardiologymedsecshwph@nhs.net) and instead you can access the service via eRS. This will bring both secondary sites services in line.

### Referral for Opinion

When referring into this service you will need to book the patient a virtual appointment by selecting the service detailed below. **Please do not give any paperwork to the patient.**

Specialty	Service	Site
Cardiology	Cardiology TRIAGE Service- Heatherwood & Wexham-Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust - RD7	Wexham

Please ensure you are referring to the correct service on NHS e-Referrals. Please check the Directory of Services before referring and ensure you attach all the relevant information.

The above services can be found by selecting:

1. Speciality – Cardiology
2. Clinic Type – Arrhythmia, Ischaemic Heart Disease, Not Otherwise Specified, Hypertension and Valve disorders.

This is a Triage service for all Cardiology referrals including Syncope.

Frimley Health will undertake a clinical triage process to review the referral and contact the patient directly if a secondary care consultation is required. Some referrals may be returned with management advice, details of this will be summarised in the eRS Worklist comments.

As detailed above, this service is also accepting Advice and Guidance (A&G) requests. This will replace the previous email address / virtual clinic process.

### Echocardiograms

Echocardiograms will be referred for advice via eRS Advice and Guidance (A&G). If a consultant feels an ECHO is required, they will advise the GP to convert the A&G request into a referral which will be sent to the Cardiology TRIAGE Service - Heatherwood & Wexham - Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust - RD7 for booking. This is similar to the ENT (North) process and mirrors the south's Cardiology process (FHFT). Please note, this pathway is currently being reviewed as part of the system-wide cardiology review. We will ensure any future changes are discussed and shared widely.

Best wishes

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