REFERRAL GUIDELINE

NEURO-ONCOLOGY SERVICE

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TARGET AUDIENCE

Referrers to the Neuro-Oncology service

PURPOSE

• To assist health professionals with the referral process.
• To ensure all relevant clinical and administrative information accompanies referrals to ensure timely referral processing.

NEURO-ONCOLOGY SERVICE: REFERRAL REQUIREMENTS

• A completed Peter Mac referral form, addressed to a named clinician – referral form and further information available at www.petermac.org/referrals
• Current medication list.
• All relevant diagnostic imaging CD’s and reports.
• Histopathology reports.
• Please advise if your patient requires accommodation.

NEURO-ONCOLOGY SERVICE CLINICS RUN AT PARKVILLE EACH MONDAY (RMH) AND THURSDAY (PMC) MORNING

FOR URGENT APPOINTMENTS FOR NEUROSURGERY, A/PROF DRUMMOND CAN BE CONTACTED VIA THE HOSPITAL SWITCHBOARD (03 93427000)

• Urgency and clinic allocation are determined by referral content; all referrals will be triaged within 48 hours.
• All new patient referrals are assessed by multi-disciplinary teams.
• Referral forms must include all requested information and patients should bring, wherever possible, copies of any diagnostic imaging, preferably on CD, to their first appointment.
• For all appointment enquiries, or if you are concerned with the appointment time allocated to your patient, phone Patient Registrations on 03 8559 5020 or email referrals@petermac.org
REQUESTING A SECOND OPINION

Please clearly state on the referral form that you are requesting a second opinion and provide a comprehensive summary of all previous treatment including copies of correspondence from previous treating specialists, operation notes, scan reports etc.

FOR ALL NEURO-ONCOLOGY SERVICE ENQUIRIES, CONTACT

For general enquiries please contact the Neuro-oncology tumours stream administrator:
Phone: 03 8559 7583

For clinical enquiries contact the appropriate Nurse coordinator
Pauline Betson (not available Mondays)
Nurse Coordinator: Neuro-Oncology Service
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