

## At the hospital

Your first appointment may include you having some tests and investigations on the same day. You will be informed of these when you receive your appointment letter.

You may also need further tests at short notice, these may be within a few weeks of your appointment so please tell your GP or Dentist if you have any holidays planned.

At the end of your first appointment the hospital staff will give you information about what will happen next.

You can bring someone with you to this appointment do not feel that you have to be alone.

A free interpreting service is available if you need help with this information:  
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## Two Week Wait Referral System



**You will be seen at the hospital within 14 days**

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## Information for patients referred on a two week wait pathway

### You have been referred to hospital

Your GP or Dentist has asked for you to be seen at the hospital within two weeks.

The two-week wait referral system has been introduced so that a specialist will quickly see any patients with symptoms that **might** indicate cancer.

Cancer can be difficult for your GP to spot because it can have the same symptoms as other common diseases.

Being referred to a specialist doesn't always mean you have cancer

### Why have you been referred?

This could be for a number of reasons, including:

Your symptoms need further Investigation;

The treatment already prescribed has not been effective or;

The investigations your GP or Dentist has arranged have shown some abnormal results.

Being referred to a specialist can be very worrying. Your GP or Dentist will be there to help and support you.

### What happens now?

Make sure your GP or Dentist has your correct address and telephone details, including mobile number if possible.

The hospital will contact you by telephone within 2 working days to arrange your appointment. If they are not able to contact you by phone they will send you a letter with an appointment.

It is very important that you go to your appointment—**don't put it off**.

If you cannot attend please contact the hospital to arrange another appointment. The clinic number should be on the letter sent to you by the hospital.