

OUTPATIENT GP REFERRAL GUIDELINES DERMATOLOGY

Southern Adelaide Local Health Network (SALHN)

Dermatology

- Acute, severe dermatological problems
- Moderate and severe skin disease unresponsive to first line management
- Diagnosis and management of rare acquired or congenital dermatoses
- Skin cancer

Information Required

- Provisional diagnosis
- Description (including duration) of rash or lesion
- · Treatment to date
- Patients to bring all medications, creams, orals and over the counter herbals to appointment

Investigations Required

- Relevant investigations/biopsies
- Full reports to accompany referral

Fax: 8204 8960

- Histology
- Micropathology
- Biochemistry

Fax Referrals to

Flinders Medical Centre Outpatient Clinic

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Red Flags

Red flags should prompt contact and discussion with Registrar in hospital hours via

Flinders Medical Centre Ph: 8204 5511

- Severe unstable skin disease
- Infected dermatoses
- Severe skin disease of uncertain cause

Suggested GP Management

- Flinders Medical Centre. Skin care and wet wraps information
- SALHN. Wet wrap treatment
- Flinders Medical Centre. Topical Steroids
- SALHN. Regional clinical procedure. Scabies nursing management procedure
- Flinders Medical Centre. Eczema education workshop for patients and carers.

Clinical Resources

- Royal Australian College of General Practice (RACGP)
 Skin Checks.
 - http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2012/july/skin-checks/
- RACGP. Best Practice Management .
 http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2010/september/acne-wee2%80%93-best-practice-management/
- DermNet NZ: the dermatology resource.
 http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2010/september/acne-web80%93-best-practice-management/

General Information to assist with referrals and the and Referral templates for FMC are available to download from the SALHN Outpatient Services website www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/SALHNoutpatients

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