

Fact sheet

Royal Adelaide Hospital

Spinal Outpatient Services Clinical Information Sheet

Clinical Condition	Spinal disorder with associated red flags
Eligibility	Spinal Pain +/- limb symptoms, or limb symptoms of suspected spinal origin <u>accompanied by</u> red flags Refer to Red Flag summary
Pre-referral management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Investigate for red flags as appropriate. Screening may include: XR, CT Scan, MRI, CPE (ESR, CRP), WBBSAnalgesia recommendation/prescription as appropriate
Priority	<u>URGENT</u> Refer patient immediately to the Spinal Outpatient Clinic with copies of investigation findings. Clearly mark referral as urgent and confirm receipt of referral (Fax. 08 7074 6247) If <u>IMMEDIATE</u> (same day) consultation is required refer patient to the Emergency Department and/or contact the Spinal Fellow/Registrar at the RAH via switch: Tel. (08) 7074 0000
Investigations required with referral	Include copies of all relevant investigation findings (as suggested in pre-referral management above)
Discharge Criteria/information	Discharge after investigation and management as required
Fact sheets	Refer to www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/lumbardisorders

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