### Referral Criteria

*There is specific additional information required by the CALHN Neurology Memory Service prior to a referral being accepted. Please use the form provided to ensure you provide this additional information.*

**Appropriate referrals include patients with:**

1. Patients with progressive decline in cognition over a period of 6 months or more
2. Patients with dementia where confirmation of the sub-type and/or specialist input is required
3. Patients for consideration of standard dementia therapy
4. Patients for consideration of referral to the CALHN Memory Trials Centre
5. Patients with Down syndrome and recent cognitive decline over a period of 6 months or more
6. Patients with prodromal symptoms of memory impairment and/or mild cognitive impairment
7. Patients with rapidly declining cognitive function requiring specialist input
8. Patients with genetically confirmed or strong family history of early-onset dementia (i.e. < 65 years old) requesting specialist assessment

### Conditions which are *not* assessed Memory Clinics include:

1. Patients with presenting symptoms in keeping with a delirium or primary psychiatric illness
2. Patients who reside in high level care residential facility (consider referral to Geriatric Outreach Services)
3. Patients who are elderly and frail with complex medical comorbidities (consider referral to Geriatric Service)
4. Patients requiring assessment of driving capability (refer to Driving Fitness Assessment Clinic at Flinders Medical Centre)
5. Patients requiring assessment of testamentary capacity (refer to Clinical Neuropsychology Service)
6. Patients with traumatic brain injury (depending on the clinical problem either Clinical Neuropsychology or Brain Injury Rehabilitation services may be appropriate)