

RE: Hull & East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust Community Diagnostic Cardiology Service

Dear Colleagues

We are writing to you to introduce the new Community Diagnostic Cardiology Service provided by Hull & East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust. This service will be available from 1 October 2018. The aims of this service are:

- To enable you to manage patients with greater confidence in the community
- To provide advice and guidance from Consultant Cardiologists or experienced Cardiac Physiologists
- To allow a more seamless service for our patients

The service will provide echocardiography and 24-hour ambulatory ECG monitoring for specific indications. All the investigations will be reported by our experienced Cardiac Physiologists with advice and guidance provided by either Cardiac Physiologists or Consultant Cardiologist. When onward referral for a Consultant Cardiologist opinion is required, this will be made by the service without the need for additional referral from the General Practitioner.

Referral will be made via NHS e-referral service by completing the specific referral form. As we aim to provide you with quality advice and guidance following their investigation it is important to include as much clinical information about the patient's symptoms as possible. The referral guidelines are included below.

Please note that the CCG have had discussions internally and there will be sufficient capacity to manage baseline investigations. It will be expected that baseline investigations, such as laboratory tests, 12 lead ECG, 24-hour ambulatory BP monitoring and 24-hour ambulatory ECG (where available) will be performed within the GP practice. As a result this new service does not replicate those previously offered by the Community Cardiology services and we do not provide a direct access ECG or 24 BP monitoring service. We do, however, provide an Advice & Guidance service and will continue to accept referrals to Cardiology outpatients for a Consultant opinion.

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HEYHT Physiologist led Community Cardiology Service

(This service is available to GP surgeries working under **Hull CCG only**)

With effect from 01 October 2018 HEYHT will be providing a Community Cardiology service.

This will be operating from New Hall Surgery and is available to GP Practices working for the Hull CCG only.

The service is physiologist led and provides both 24hr Tape and Echo diagnostic tests.

All referrals should be made electronically via e-RS and bookings can be made with effect from **19 September 2018**.

The services can be searched for on e-RS by selecting:

Speciality: **Cardiology**

Clinic Type: **Not Otherwise Specified**.

For **Echo** select either of the ECHO services:

ECHO - Physiology led Community cardiology -Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals (Newhall Surgery) RWA (this will redirect all referrals to the TRIAGE service)

ECHO-Physiology led Community cardiology RAS -Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals (Newhall Surgery) RWA (this is a RAS used to TRIAGE all ECHO referrals)

For **24 Hour Tape** select:

24 hr Tape-Physiology led Community Cardiology - Hull and E Yorkshire Hospitals (Newhall Surgery) RWA (this will redirect all referrals to the TRIAGE service)

24hr Tape-Physiology led Community cardiology RAS-Hull and E Yorkshire Hospitals (Newhall Surgery) RWA (this is a RAS used to TRIAGE all 24 hour Tape referrals)

All referrals will be TRIAGED by HEYHT staff prior to appointing.

If appointed, patients will be informed of their appointment by HEYHT.