

Who We Are

About Us

The Ambulatory Care Unit (ACU) provides same day emergency care (SDEC) for the assessment, diagnosis and treatment with the aim of getting patients home safely on the same day.

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What is an Ambulatory Care Unit?

Ambulatory Care, also known as Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC) allows patients to be seen, treated and discharged on the same day-thus avoiding admission to hospital.

Patient attend the ambulatory care unit via referrals. These referrals are through either the emergency department, inpatient wards or by their GP.

We currently do not have an appointment schedule; therefore patients are reviewed in order by arrival time- we aim to do this in a timely manner and avoid delays in your treatment.

Patients must fit a specific criteria to be assessed in an ambulatory care setting, such as:

- Pulmonary Embolism
- Deep Vein Thrombosis
- Cellulitis
- Acute Headache
- Chest Pain
- Arterial Fibrillation
- Lower Respiratory Tract Infection
- Low risk of GI bleeding
- Exacerbation of chronic heart failure
- Deranged bloods (including anaemia)

We aim to review, treat and discharge you back home as soon as possible, however if the medical team feel you are acutely unwell-you may be admitted to the hospital.

During your stay we can provide refreshments, please ask a member of staff

Our clinician team consist of doctors, advanced clinical practitioners (ACP) and trainee advanced clinical practitioners (tACP) whilst our nursing team consists of registered nurses (RN) and assistant practitioners (AP).



What to expect during your visit

When attending the unit, you will be checked in by our ward clerks onto the system. We currently have a new IT system therefore you may see staff with handheld devices (phones, tablets, etc).

You will be situated in the waiting room until a member of the nursing team is available to complete a variety of basic investigations. These will include blood sampling, IV access and ECG monitoring.

Once these have been completed, you will be situated back in the waiting room or asked to be seated in the treatment area. A clinician will come and assess you were they may arrange further investigations such as x-rays, CT scans, dopplers. Following your assessment/ review, treatment may be commenced. Once completed, a follow-up appointment may be arranged, and a summary provided to your GP.

