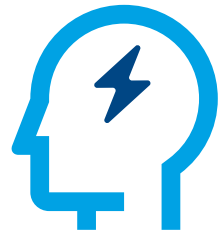


Information for patients



# **Worsening symptom advice for headache**

You have been assessed today in Same Day Emergency Care and your doctor or advanced nurse practitioner has decided that you are safe to go home.

**It is important to make sure that you know what to do if you feel less well after leaving the hospital.**

**If you develop the following symptoms, you should seek medical attention urgently. This will be discussed with you verbally as well.**

- A sudden onset of a severe headache which peaks within a few seconds, or a sudden severe worsening of the pain you came into hospital with
- A high temperature (fever)
- Any changes in vision or speech, or abnormal sensations/ weakness in your arms, legs or face
- A red and painful eye
- Any “funny turns” or loss of consciousness/collapse
- A new onset of confusion.

**If you develop these symptoms you should phone 999 or go to hospital as soon as possible.**

## Contact information

**If you need to contact us, please use our contact numbers below:**

**Monday to Saturday 8am-8pm:  
Same Day Emergency Care 0131 537 2137**

**Monday to Saturday 8pm-8am:  
Medical Assessment Unit 0131 537 1330**

**Sunday: Medical Assessment Unit 0131 537 1330**