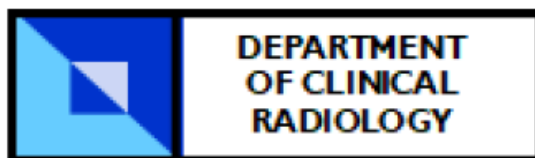


# Attending your endovascular procedure

Information for patients

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## **Your appointment**

Along with this leaflet you should have received a letter with the details of your preadmission and admission dates and a description of where to report to on each of the dates with times and of your expected length of stay after your procedure. If you are unable to attend either of these dates please contact us on the telephone number on your letter.

Both your pre-admission appointment and attendance of the procedure the following day are in the Department of Clinical Neurosciences which is situated in the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People (RHCYP).

Please be advised that we also offer emergency service so there is a possibility of cancellation or delays whilst we carry out the emergency procedure. We will keep you informed once you have arrived as we appreciate this may be an anxious time for you.

Please be aware you cannot drive home on your day of discharge and ideally should have someone to stay with you on your first night.

Please remember to let us know if you have changed your name, address or GP, so that we can update our records.

If you do not speak English and need to have an interpreter for your appointment, please telephone the department on 0131 312 0863 and we will arrange this for you.

## **Accommodation**

We do not provide accommodation for patients after your pre-admission appointment and you will be asked to re attend the following day for your procedure. However, the hospital is only a short distance away from the city centre and visitors to Edinburgh have a large range of accommodation options to choose from. For more information please visit [www.visitscotland.com](http://www.visitscotland.com) or [www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com)

## **Help with your fares and accommodation**

If you are in receipt of certain social security benefits or live in the Scottish Highlands and islands, you are entitled to help with your travel and accommodation costs. If you are not in one of the above categories, you might still be able to claim a refund of your expenses. For more information on cost reimbursement please contact your local health board on the number provided in this leaflet prior to your appointment. In most cases, you are expected to pay for your travel and accommodation and claim back the costs, but an advanced payment may be possible.

For more information please visit:

[www.nhsinform.scot/care-support-and-rights/health-rights/access/help-with-health-costs#travel-costs](http://www.nhsinform.scot/care-support-and-rights/health-rights/access/help-with-health-costs#travel-costs)



<b>Health Board</b>	<b>Phone number</b>
NHS Ayrshire and Arran	01560382 5882
NHS Borders	0189 682 8288
NHS Dumfries and Galloway	0138 724 6246
NHS Fife	0159 264 3355 (ext. 28697)
NHS Forth Valley	0132 467 3650
NHS Grampian	0122 455 9309
NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde	0141 201 2212
NHS Lanarkshire	0169 885 8213
NHS Lothian	0131 537 1361
NHS Tayside	0138 263 2433
NHS Highland	0146 370 4902
NHS Orkney	0185 688 8045
NHS Shetland	0159 574 3305
NHS Western Isles	0185 170 8021 (Lewis & Harris) 0187 060 3606 (Benbecula & Uists) 0187 181 0431 (Barra)