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Outreach Heart Failure Diagnostic Clinic

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Aim

The Outreach Heart Failure Diagnostic Clinic aims to ensure patients identified as at risk and/or having symptoms of heart failure have timely access to screening and diagnostic assessment.

This clinic is a public private partnership model supported by Riverina Cardiology and the MLHD Chronic Respiratory and Heart Failure Service. There is no cost to the patient.

Clinics will be conducted on the 3rd Thursday of the month at COAG19(2) sites throughout the Eastern sector of MLHD.

Who to refer

Most clients needing cardiac assessment and investigation should continue to be referred directly to Riverina Cardiology.

Clients suitable for referral for this Outreach Clinic are disadvantaged patients who are unable to travel for initial specialist assessment, AND who are suspected of having heart failure.

The clinic offers medical and nursing consultation along with cardiac diagnostics including electrocardiography and echocardiography.

Following clinic evaluation, patients will be returned to the GP with a recommendation of the appropriate pathway for further follow-up.

Referrals

Direct all referrals to mlhd-respiratoryandheartfailureclinics@health.nsw.gov.au

Please refer patients as early as possible. All referrals must be received at least 14 days prior to the clinic.

GP referral requirements:

- Referral letter with patient health summary.
- ECG desirable
- Recent pathology results (within three months): FBC, EUCs, NT Pro- BNP (where possible), TFT, Lipids, HbA1C and iron studies.
- Relevant radiology especially recent chest Xray.
- Previous cardiac investigation reports.

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