

Guidelines for local shared care paediatric renal clinics

With regards to The Clinic Template for visiting consultants I would suggest the following

- All patients added to the list should be screened by the local contact Paediatrician/SPIN
- For new patients a copy of the referral letter should be sent in advance of the clinic to the visiting consultant
- All patients should have Height, Weight, Blood Pressure and urine dipsticks done on arrival.
- New patients should be given 30 mins
- Old follow ups 20 mins
- Where possible the SPIN Paediatrician will sit in clinic or otherwise deputise for another member of the medical team to aid with the smooth running of the clinic. The link nurse and local dietitian should also try to be present for the clinic.
- Letters should be dictated on the day of clinic and should be typed/sent out in a timely manner.
- Letters may be checked by the local Paediatrician or the visiting Nephrologist.
- Chasing of results should be the responsibility of the local paediatrician. A date and time needs to be set (within a week of the clinic) to discuss and action results. This should be done via phone/telecommunications between the visiting consultant and the local paediatrician. All discussions should be documented in the patients notes and actions are to be carried out by the local Paediatrician unless otherwise agreed
- Hospitals should enquire about and set up links if possible to enable the visiting consultant to access results remotely.

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