

ATRIAL FIBRILLATION CLINIC ST. PAUL'S HOSPITAL

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Referral to the Atrial Fibrillation Clinic: You have been referred to this clinic because we are a team of multidisciplinary health care professionals (Electrophysiologist: a cardiologist who specializes in the electrical conduction of the heart, Nurse Practitioner, Registered Nurse, and Pharmacist) that work together to help you and your primary care provider manage your atrial fibrillation or atrial flutter.

The four electrophysiology doctors that primarily work in this clinic: Dr. Chakrabarti, Dr. Deyell, Dr. Kerr and Dr. Yeung *work as a team sharing the care of our patients. You are a patient of the atrial fibrillation clinic and may be scheduled to see any one of these doctors* for your initial visit and follow up visits. If you wish to see a specific doctor please be aware your wait time may be longer to accommodate this request.

Visits: Your initial appointment will take up to 2 hours and will include a review of your present and past illnesses, an examination and time for discussion. The nurse or pharmacist will see you first to collect some of your health history and review your medications. Subsequent follow up visits may take up to an hour. We try our best to stay on time, however given the urgency of some patients at times we fall behind schedule. We may recommend further laboratory tests or investigations to be done prior to your next appointment. Please have these done in a timely fashion. If you are having a repeat holter monitor test done we will give you a requisition and ask that *you organize the appointment for the holter yourself.*

Follow up visits may be required for further review or if you are going for an ablation. The follow up visits may be with the Electrophysiologist or Nurse Practitioner. *Follow up may also be done over the phone* by the nurse, pharmacist or nurse practitioner in which case *we will call you.*

Facility: This office is affiliated with the University of British Columbia and at times, we may have Medical Students, Medical Residents or Nurse Practitioner Students working with us. They may be asked to help with your care before your Electrophysiologist or Nurse Practitioner sees you. If you are uncomfortable with this please let our staff know. Your care is important to us as is training future physicians and nurse practitioners.

Report: Your referring physician and family doctor will receive a complete report of our findings and recommendations. If you would like to receive a copy of this report or any other report within your chart it cannot be done on the same day. This process requires time, forms to be filled out and sent to medical records *by you.* You will then be notified

by medical records if the request has been approved. Please ask our medical office assistant if you would like to start the process of obtaining any records.

Phone calls: We are acting as a consultant to your primary care provider or referring practitioner. We will offer advice to your referring provider who will continue to direct your care. Therefore, you should always contact your primary care provider regarding further problems first.

Prescriptions: Prescriptions that are given at the time of your visit will include repeats when applicable. Subsequent refills should be done through your family doctor. Patients requiring Pharmacare Application for specific drugs prescribed by our clinic should contact the clinic pharmacist at 604 682 2344 ext 66504

Appointment: We try to remind everyone of their appointments. It would be a great help if you would confirm your attendance a few days prior to your appointment with the medical office assistant at 604 806 9475 ext 3. If you cannot keep your appointment, please give us at least 24 hours advance notice if possible as somebody else will be pleased to have your spot.

NOTES:

link to ablation video: www.providencehealthcare.org/atrial-fibrillation-clinic

****** SOME OF OUR STAFF AND PATIENTS ARE HIGHLY ALLERGIC TO SCENTS. PLEASE USE NON-SCENTED PRODUCTS TO KEEP OUR ENVIRONMENT SCENT- FREE******

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