

PATHWAY FOR REFERRALS INTO WORCESTERSHIRE SEXUAL HEALTH VASECTOMY SERVICE

Patient attends GP and through the e-referral process, chooses an available appointment for a Vasectomy consultation at one of our 3 sites – Aconbury North in Worcester, Smallwood House in Redditch or Kidderminster Health Centre in Kidderminster. GP is required to attach Vasectomy Referral form to the e-referral

Vasectomy Administration staff, will review referral and if appropriate will accept the appointment. They will then write to the patient to confirm the date, time and place of consultation appointment. If the appointment is rejected, administration staff will write to the GP and the patient to explain why.

Patient attends for pre-op consultation with nurse to include full medical history, information giving and informed consent process.

Nurse will book operation date with patient, at a mutually convenient time (within the 18 week window).

If medically required, patient will be brought for pre-op assessment with vasectomy surgeon (very few require this).

Patient attends for operation with vasectomy surgeon in 1 of 3 sites across Worcestershire, in Redditch (Arrowside Unit), Kidderminster (Hume Street) and Worcester (Aconbury North).

Patient given post-op information leaflet regarding aftercare. **18 week clock stops here.**

Patient receives letter (approx. 2 weeks after op) from Birmingham Women's Hospital (BWH) Andrology Department to attend for post-op semen analysis at 16 weeks post op. The sample is produced at the hospital.

BWCH writes to vasectomy clinic secretary with andrology results, which are then looked at by doctor/senior nurse.

Result of semen analysis to patient. Some patients may need to do another specimen at 28 weeks. If motile sperm may need to go back to surgeon.