





Musculoskeletal Services

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"What do we do????"

We provide:

- 1. Self referral via 2 choices of access- telephone or self referral form
- 2. Core face to face physiotherapy
- 3. Triage of referrals via clinical assessment services jointly with secondary care in some areas.
- 4. Specialist clinics with a variety of professionals-GPSi, Podiatrist, Cons't Rheumo
- 5. Urogynae Clinics
- 6. Occupational Health/Rapid Access back to work
- 7. Pilates classes





"How do you access our services and where are we located?"

Access is by:

- 1. Self referral
- 1. GP referral

1. Via NHS E-referral (Choose and Book) We are located in hospitals, clinics, GP surgeries, health centers and medical practices in hub based groups of staff across Cambs and Peterborough.



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Other services

- Pilates
- Up group-understanding pain and improving fitness
- Access to Gym referral scheme







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Regional examination tips

- Shoulder-lateral rotation
- Hip-rotation in neutral and flexion, question on shoes and socks
- Knees-stance, hop dip and twist
- Feet and ankles-look at the naked foot, tip toe and observe gait if possible.
- Lumbar spine-back versus leg pain; forward flexion, straight leg raise, heel and toe walk
- Cervical spine-neck versus arm pain





How to make best use of the MSK system

- Can the patient self-manage with the right information?
- Is there any other things that influence their management that we need to know about such as anxiety issues etc.
- Don't duplicate referrals
- By giving us good quality information, it allows us to allocate patients to appropriate appointments
- If they fit the guidelines for THR or TKR, do up-to-date x-rays and use choose and book, NOT physio direct.





Managing chronic pain patients

- Avoid too many investigations as patients think we can see things to treat
- We all develop wrinkles as we age, some of the findings on MRI are therefore normal
- Make sure patients do take medication when they need it
- Mindfulness and use of the IAPT services alters how patients perceive their pain and improve their function.





Good resources

- ARC Arthritis Research
- DynamicHealth Physio direct website for self referral and advice leaflets
- Youtube good for taping and self management videos eg plantar fasciatis
- Keele start back website





