



### Referral Support Service Gateway & e-RS Booking Help Guide April 2025





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#### **Useful Contacts & links**

#### **Referral Support Service**

0300 303 8676 or <a href="mailto:hnyicb.voy.rsservice@nhs.net">hnyicb.voy.rsservice@nhs.net</a> RSS website

#### e-Referral Service

Referrer homepage - <u>Select your login method</u> Support website - <u>Referrers - NHS England Digital</u>

#### York & Scarborough Trust

For referral issues or Directory of Service enquiries please contact the Clinic Managers on 01904 721926 or <a href="mailto:yhs-tr.clinicmanagerspatientaccess@nhs.net">yhs-tr.clinicmanagerspatientaccess@nhs.net</a>

For appointment queries - Contact Centre number: 01904 726400

#### Accenda / Gateway

Helpdesk: <a href="mailto:support@accenda.co.uk">support@accenda.co.uk</a> / 0161 274 9730

**Build & Book Gateway training video** 

#### **Training support**

Accenda host **lunchtime drop-in training sessions** for Gateway via Microsoft Teams every weekday at lunchtime. These take place daily at 12:15 – 12:45. Simply attend using <u>this link</u>.

Accenda also offer the option of a **dedicated training session** at a time that suits you; this can be booked online using <u>this link</u>.





#### **Urgent Suspected Cancer**

<u>USC Brain</u> – pre-shortlisted for Hull

There is no USC Brain Cancer Service at York & Scarborough Teaching Hospitals. The nearest service providers are Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (0113 2432 799) or Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trusts (01482 875 875). Please ensure a USC Brain referral proforma is completed (Hull only) and attached to allow onward referral to secondary care

- The required USC referral proforma for Hull can be located here <u>ERS Referral Forms | Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (hey.nhs.uk)</u>
  - Book into the following clinic on e-RS (USC Brain Neurology- Hull University Teaching Hospitals)
- Guidance on how to refer to Leeds can be located here Brain Tumours (leedsth.nhs.uk)

#### <u>USC Cancer of Unknown Primary</u> – pre-shortlisted for York Hospital

- · Complete pathway questionnaire
  - o Service available at York Hospital only
  - \*USC\* Malignancy of Unknown Origin (MUO) (York) York & Scarborough Hospitals has dates and time available

#### **USC Lower GI**

- Complete USC pathway questionnaire
- FIT result is **required** to process the referral, unless selecting one of the following where a FIT is requested. A referral can be made without the result attached
  - o Palpable Anorectal Mass or ulceration
  - o Abdominal Mass (request FIT but do not delay referral)
  - o NEW IDA and >60 (request FIT but do not delay referral)
- Please see Gateway or RSS website for criteria information
- York Hospital, Harrogate Hospital, Leeds LGI, Scarborough Hospital, Bridlington Hospital All RAS clinics

#### <u>USC Lung</u> - pre-shortlisted for York or Scarborough Hospital

- Complete pathway questionnaire
  - o Service available at York or Scarborough Hospital All RAS clinics





#### **Urgent & Routine first outpatient pathways**

**Allergy** 

Allergy

No local service – available services include Castle Hill Hospital (16+ age)
Patients can also be seen at St James, Leeds (Treats all Clinical Immunological and Allergic disorder conditions) – please see Immunology section of this guide

#### **RAS Clinic**

#### Cardiology

There are no requirements for the following clinic types. All can be booked to General Cardiology services: York Hospital, Malton community Hospital, Scarborough general Hospital, Bridlington hospital- all RAS clinics

Arrhythmia Hypertension Ischaemic Heart Disease Not Otherwise Specified

Valve Disorders

Heart Failure – pre-shortlisted for York Hospital NHS Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group - Heart Failure

#### York Hospital only

- Complete Integrated Pathway Questionnaire on Gateway
  - o Requires ECG and BNP result attached
  - o If BNP over 2000 urgent referral required (can still send as urgent if BNP below if GP concerned)
- No proforma needed for Scarborough registered patients unless patient wishes to be seen in York then attach York proforma as an attachment (If no proforma they can still be sent to general cardiology – Scarborough, Bridlington and Malton)
- Can be booked direct to RAS clinic without contacting patient

#### Rapid Access Chest Pain - pre-shortlisted

- Urgent pathway only
- Complete Integrated questionnaire on Gateway
  - o Requires ECG to be less than 4 weeks old
  - o Patient's aged 30+
  - o If <30, please submit an A&G via e-RS for further consideration. If agreement to see patient is obtained, please refer via Gateway as normal and de-select age restrictions on Gateway booking screen
- York Hospital, Scarborough Hospital, Bridlington Hospital All RAS clinics
- For Leeds border patients, a Leeds Teaching Hospital proforma is required





#### Congenital Heart Disease

- No York & Scarborough Trust service (System will bring up general local clinics which do not deal with this issue)
  - Available services include Castle Hill Hospital (Hull) or Leeds General Infirmary (Both RAS clinics)

#### Cardiology Genetics

- No York & Scarborough Trust service (System will bring up general local clinics)
  - o Available services include LGI (Inherited Cardiac Conditions service) (RAS Clinic)

#### Lipid

• There is no service, see Endocrinology for this pathway

#### **Dietetics Weight Management**

#### Tier 2 – pre-shortlisted

- Requires attached Tier 2 proforma
- Criteria:
  - As per the information on the proforma to be eligible for the service, the individual must satisfy ALL the following criteria:
  - o Age ≥ 18 years
  - o Diagnosed with Diabetes (any type) AND / OR Hypertension
  - Latest BMI ≥ 30 (or ≥ 27.5 if from Black, Asian and ethnic minority backgrounds) BMI must be within last 24 months.

#### and MUST NOT have any of the following characteristics:

- Moderate or severe frailty
- Currently pregnant
- o Have an active eating disorder
- Bariatric surgery in the last two years
- A weight management programme is considered to pose greater risk of harm than benefit for this individual
- Can be booked direct to clinic without contacting patient.

#### Tier 3 - pre-shortlisted

- VOY service only (only available to VOY GP practices)
- The service is available to patients aged 18 years of age and over, who are registered with a Vale of York CCG GP practice, have a BMI of 35 or over, AND who have maximised primary care and community conservative management
- Requires 3 BMI results
- Patients with a BMI ≥50 will be automatically eligible to access the service.





- See website for more information: <u>NHS Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group Tier 3</u>
  Obesity Management Service
- SR patients being referred for Tier 3 is done via the Humber direct not through e-RS.
- Can be booked direct to clinic without contacting patient

#### Diagnostic Endoscopy

#### Gastroscopy - pre-shortlisted

- Complete Integrated questionnaire on Gateway
- Routine pathway only or consider a 2WW Upper GI referral if criteria is met
  - o Service available at York or Scarborough Hospital only
- Can be booked direct to clinic without contacting patient

#### Diagnostic Physiological Measurement

#### Audiology

- · Hearing assessment prior to referral to ENT
  - Exclusions to general audiology clinic: Unilateral Tinnitus, asymmetric hearing loss, sudden onset of hearing loss (for less than 3 months), obvious infection - refer directly to the ENT Service
- York Hospital, Malton Hospital, Selby war Memorial, Whitby Hospital, Scarborough Hospital, Thirsk Health Centre – All RAS clinics
  - o There is a specialised York clinic on e-RS for patients with Dementia (autoroute override if standard audiology clinics shortlisted)
  - There is a specialised York tinnitus clinic under this pathway which deals with Long standing bilateral tinnitus only
  - For Scarborough registered patients there is a specialised clinic for Tinnitus at Spring Hill House which deals with *Long Standing Bilateral Tinnitus* only
- Patient requesting batteries for their hearing aids do not require a referral to the hospital:
  - Please contact Audiology directly on 01904 726741 and select option 1 for the postal service. Alternatively, you can email them at <a href="mailto:yhs-tr.hearingaid.repairs@nhs.net">yhs-tr.hearingaid.repairs@nhs.net</a> and they will be able to post them out to the patient.

#### Endocrinology and Metabolic medicine

There are no requirements for the following clinic types.

- General Endocrine services: York Hospital, Scarborough Hospital, Selby War Memorial, Bridlington Hospital all RAS clinic
  - Adrenal Disorders
  - Gynaecological Endocrinology
  - Not Otherwise Specified
  - Pituitary & Hypothalamic
  - Thyroid/Parathyroid





- Metabolic Disorder Clinic: Service available at York or Scarborough Hospital only
  - o Lipid Disorders Familial Hypercholesterolaemia
  - Metabolic Bone Disorders

#### <u>Immunology</u>

- There are no local services for the following speciality's available services include Castle Hill hospital / St James in Leeds (Treats all Clinical Immunological and Allergic disorder conditions) - All RAS clinics
  - o Autoimmune Disease
  - o Immunodeficiency
  - o Not Otherwise Specified

#### Infectious diseases

 No local service – see e-RS for clinics and Directory of Services on e-Referral Service for conditions treated and exclusions.

#### Nephrology - pre-shortlisted

#### Hypertension

Nephrology - York Hospital, Malton Hospital, Selby War Memorial, Scarborough Hospital – Direct Booking available

#### Renal Diabetes

- There are no local services for this Clinic type (change clinic type to Nephrology to book to general clinic)
- There is a joint Diabetes / Renal clinic at York (Change to Diabetic Medicine / Clinic Renal Diabetes RAS clinic)

#### Pain Management

- Integrated Chronic Pain questionnaire to completed for York Hospital (Spinal and non-spinal clinics - All RAS) – pre-shortlisted
- If referring for non-chronic pain, York registered patients can be referred to York Hospital, Pinderfields Hospital and Seacroft Leeds (Seacroft do not accept referrals from York and Harrogate registered patients without an approved IFR for treatment against Leeds Criteria)





- Acute Motor Loss pathway
  - o Urgent pathway only,
  - o York Hospital only (valeofyorkccg.nhs.uk/seecmsfile/?id=5953&inline=1&inl
- T & T (Treat and Triage) York Hospital only.
- Therapeutic and diagnostic injections for the treatment of spinal pain
  - o Requires a PAT/IFR approval as NOT routinely commission therapeutic spinal injections for cervical, thoracic or Lumbar spine pain.
  - This includes: Spinal Epidural Injections (transforaminal/interlaminar) and nerve root blocks Spinal Facet Joint Injections (FJI)/Medial branch blocks Spinal Radiofrequency Nerve Denervation (rhizolysis/medial branch block/nerve root pulsed denervation) Therapeutic trigger point injections for the management of spinal pain
- For Scarborough registered patients; if referring for non-chronic pain if they meet criteria for CHCP if not only York Hospital

#### Respiratory Medicine

There are no requirements for the following clinic types. All can be booked to General Respiratory services: (York Hospital, Malton Community Hospital, Scarborough General Hospital, Bridlington Hospital - all RAS clinics)

Allergy
Asthma
COPD
Cystic Fibrosis
Interstitial Lung Disease
Occupational Lung Disease
Tuberculosis

- Not Otherwise Specified For Long Covid clinic requires GP Proforma & Patient
  Questionnaire as hardcopy attachments (York Hospital only RAS clinic) pre-shortlisted
- Pulmonary Rehabilitation referrals are sent via the AHP pathway to respiratory physiotherapy along with the Pulmonary Rehabilitation proforma which can be found on the website: <u>NHS</u> <u>Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group - Respiratory</u>
- Home oxygen is not referred through gateway please see link on how to refer <u>NHS Vale of</u> York Clinical Commissioning Group - Home Oxygen





#### Surgery Not Otherwise Specified

Hernia (York Hospital, Malton Community Hospital, Scarborough General Hospital, Bridlington Hospital, Selby War Memorial- all RAS clinics – no Direct Booking available)

- Hernia repair for cosmetic reasons or for asymptomatic or minimally symptomatic hernias in adults is NOT routinely commissioned
  - o VBC Check required
- Repair of suspected femoral hernias, inguinal hernias in women, or any irreducible hernias is commissioned and should be referred urgently due to the increased risk of incarceration/strangulation
  - o These hernia referrals DO NOT require a PAT code
  - o Required to be processed as urgent

Lumps and bumps: (York Hospital, Malton community Hospital, Scarborough general Hospital, Bridlington hospital- All RAS clinics)

- Large Lipomas requires PAT code / IFR if does not meet criteria for PAT
- Sebaceous Cysts requires PAT code/ IFR if does not meet criteria for PAT
- Consultation any hospital, surgery would be at York Scarborough or Bridlington Hospital

#### **Endocrine Surgery**

There is no local service – please see Endocrinology section of this guide

#### **Urology**

Malton is the one stop clinic for the York/Scarborough area. Initial appointment will be here. Patient will be there for a couple of hours, have any tests done at the time and get results. Follow up appointments may be done at York or Scarborough Hospital. (All RAS clinics)

#### Circumcision

- Requires a PAT otherwise, funding will ONLY be considered where criteria are met.
- Humber and North Yorkshire ICB does NOT routinely commission male circumcision for cultural or religious reasons; the procedure will only be considered where medically necessary.
- Humber and North Yorkshire ICB routinely commission circumcision IF there is evidence of one of the following clinical indications:
  - Lichen sclerosus (chronic inflammation leading to a rigid fibrous foreskin) in males aged 9 years and over
  - Potentially malignant lesions of the prepuce or those causing diagnostic uncertainty
  - Congenital abnormalities with functional impairment
  - Distal scarring of the preputial orifice (a short course of topical corticosteroids might help with mild scarring
  - o Painful erections secondary to a tight foreskin
  - o Recurrent bouts of infection (balanitis/balanoposthitis



- Redundant prepuce, phimosis (inability to retract the foreskin due to a narrow prepucial ring) sufficient to cause ballooning of the foreskin on micturition; and paraphimosis (inability to pull forward a retracted foreskin)
- Traumatic injury eg zipper damage
- o Congenital urological abnormalities when skin is required for grafting

#### (In) Continence

- Female Urinary Problems (Malton) Triage Service
  - o All females with continence issues and associated lower urinary symptoms
- Male Lower Urinary Symptoms (Malton) Triage Service
  - Men > 40 years with lower urinary tract symptoms
  - o If <40 years book to general urology clinic
- Can offer The James cook hospital as a choice:
  - o Functional urology is female clinic
  - o General urology is male clinic

#### Erectile Dysfunction/Andrology

 One stop ED service; Erectile dysfunction all causes: primary ED, diabetic, pelvic surgery Peyronies disease Premature Ejaculation Low testosterone/ primary hypogonadism (if low FSH and LH and secondary hypogonadism then refer to endocrinology)

#### Haematuria (not 2WW)

- VISIBLE HAEMATURIA Referral Criteria: Painless; after one-episode WHATEVER age Painful; Over 40 years old male and female
- NON-VISIBLE HAEMATURIA NB risk of cancer <3% Referral Criteria: Refer all Remember non-visible haematuria is normal with a UTI, therefore only refer if it fulfils the criteria for UTI
- If clinic doesn't appear due to patients age, please book to general urology clinic.

#### Male Infertility

- Normally processed through via Partners GP
- If the issue is the male change to Gynaecology/infertility and send to Seacroft hospital

#### Not Otherwise Specified (NOS)

- Chronic Scrotal Pain
- UTI
- Circumcision Requires a PAT
- Exclusions to clinic:
  - Cases of suspected cancer should be referred under the 2-week rule. General paediatric urology please refer to Paediatric Urology Service Erectile Dysfunction Refer to the Andrology Service Visible & non visible Haematuria Refer to the Haematuria Service Raised PSA Refer to the PSA Service Lower Urinary tract infections Refer to the Male LUTS Service Females with continence issues- Refer to the Female Urinary Service

#### Prostate

- Process to the NOS clinic type this will bring up two options depending on age book to either:
  - o Male Lower Urinary Symptoms

Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB)

General urology clinic

#### **Urinary Calculus**

- Stone Urology (Malton) Triage Service
  - Known recurrent stone disease previously discharged. Loin pain? typical of ureteric colic. +/- non-visible haematuria +/- visible haematuria Persistent UTIs with stones on plain film.
  - Exclusions New Ioin pain >55 yrs (exclude AAA first) Loin pain not typical of ureteric colic.

#### Vasectomy

- Any hospital if had previous surgery & needs to be General Anaesthetic / needs PAT but no proforma
- Marie stopes Leeds e-RS with proforma.
  - Provider of vasectomy services in Leeds and Wakefield for Vale of York CCG patients.
  - o Patient information leaflet for Marie Stopes service
  - Marie Stopes do not have a BMI limit, but they do have weight limits for their couches. In Leeds the limit is 25 stone and in Wakefield the limit is 20 stone. The decision to undertake any operation is that of the surgeon on the day.
- Haxby Group Practice
  - Provide vasectomy services under LA for Vale of York CCG patients.
     To refer: please send the signed proforma directly to Haxby Group Practice. They will be contacted directly by the practice with an appointment.
- Humber and North Yorkshire ICB do commission vasectomies under General Anaesthetic in secondary care only in the following circumstances:
  - Previous documented adverse reaction to LA
  - Scarring or deformity from previous scrotal surgery or trauma that makes vasectomy under LA difficult to achieve
  - History of coagulation disorder, inguinal scrotal hernia or cryptorchidism
  - Large varicocele or hydrocele
  - Where patients have previously had vasectomy on the NHS, have subsequently had a reversal of vasectomy (privately or on the NHS) and again wish to undergo vasectomy
  - Please clearly detail which of these your patient has in order for them to have a secondary care procedure.
  - Fear of the procedure, or patient choice are not adequate reasons for requesting vasectomy under GA, unless supporting mitigating factors are submitted to the IFR panel by the requesting clinician.

#### Haematospermia

Book to general Urology clinic (NOS)

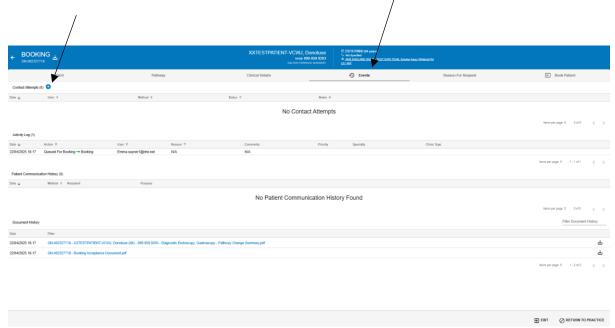




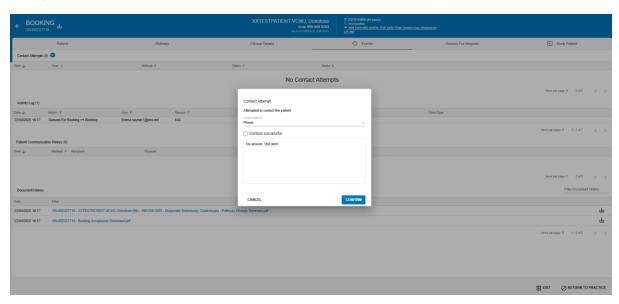
#### Logging patient contact attempts on Gateway

Telephone & SMS contacts and internal notes can be logged on Gateway via the **Events** tab. To log such actions:

Select • as displayed in the image below, select contact attempt method and input the occurrence



#### Once entered, select confirm



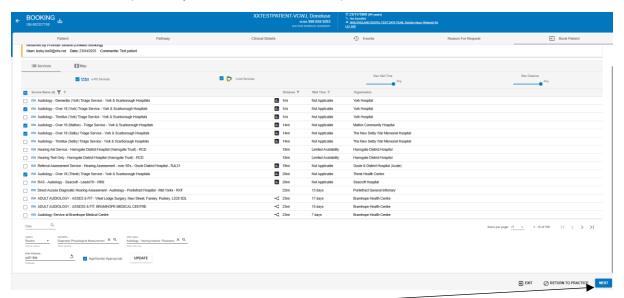
The referral can be exited. This will save a contact attempt, the referral will remain open in the booking worklist





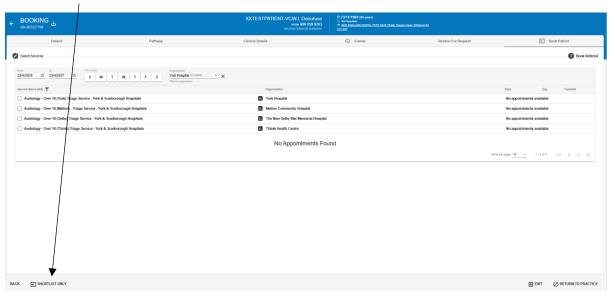
#### **Generating e-RS Patient Choice letters through Gateway**

Select the choice of provider you wish to include on the patient letter.



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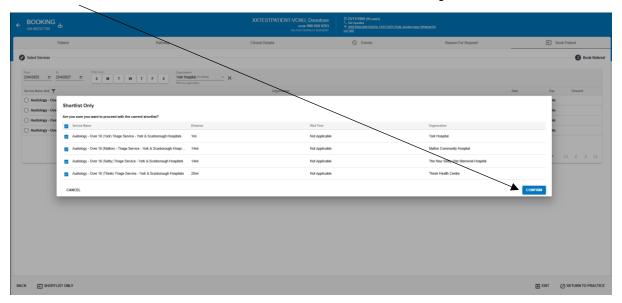
#### Select Shortlist only



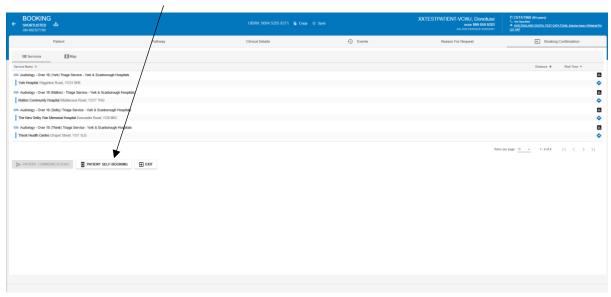


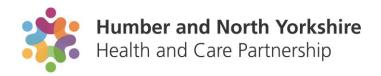


The system will ask you confirm the shortlist selection. The selection is still editable up to this point. Select **confirm**, this will transfer all of the documentation onto e-RS and generate a UBRN number.



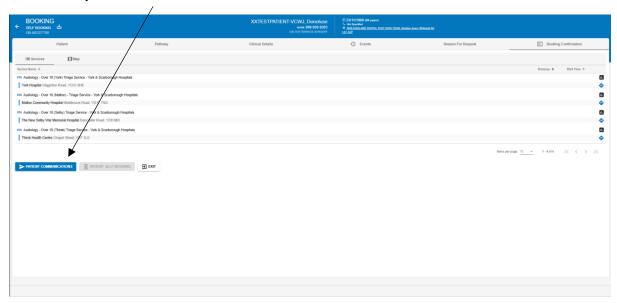
#### Select patient self-book





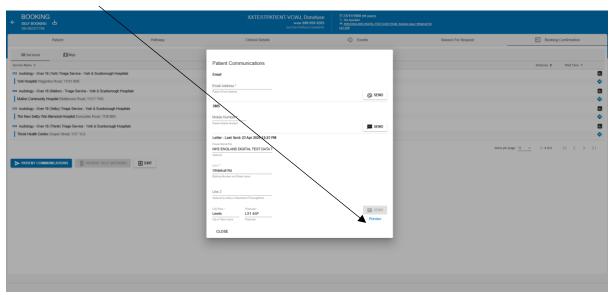


#### Then select patient communication



The patient communication page will be displayed. The correspondence address will be auto filled from the address on your patient records.

Select **preview** to display the letter.



The letter can then be printed locally and posted to the patient.

The letter will provide the patient with the list of hospital choices along with all the information they require to book their appointment online or by telephone via national e-RS appointments line.

If the patient has the NHS app, once a referral has been shortlisted the patient is notified via the app, which can be used to manage their referral request.



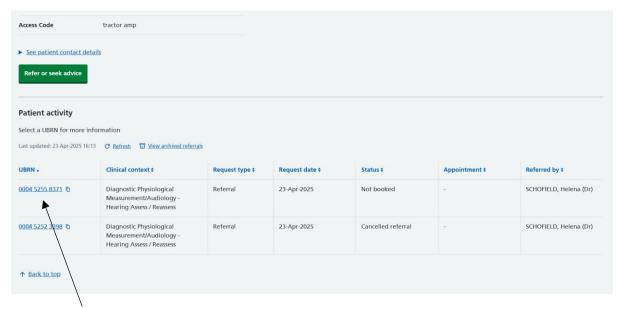


#### **Booking via e-RS**

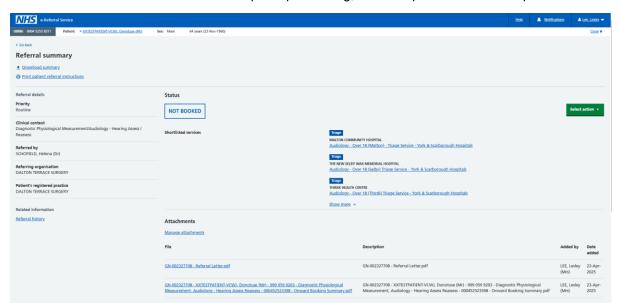
If an e-RS Choice letter is sent to the patient as mentioned on pages 14-16 of this guide, the patient is provided with an option to book their appointment online or call the national e-RS booking centre.

Patient's may still choose to contact their GP Practice. If the patient does contact the GP Practice, the referral can no longer be amended on Gateway and must now be accessed through e-RS. The patient's referral can be processed by following the below steps.

Open and log into e-RS search for patient and the scroll down to patient activity.



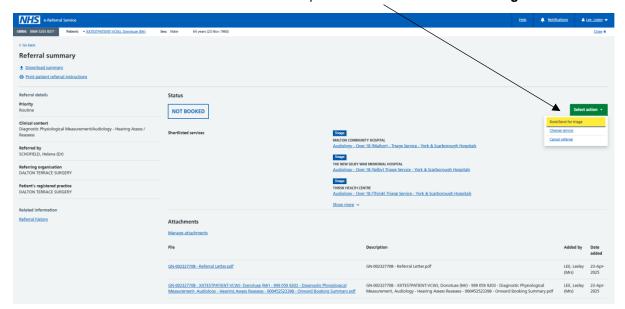
Click on the UBRN of the referral that requires processing, this will open the referral request



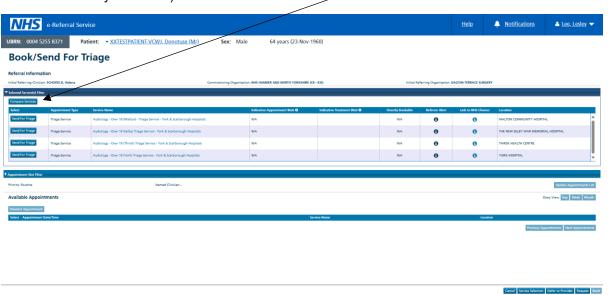




Click on the select action button and from the drop down select book/send for triage



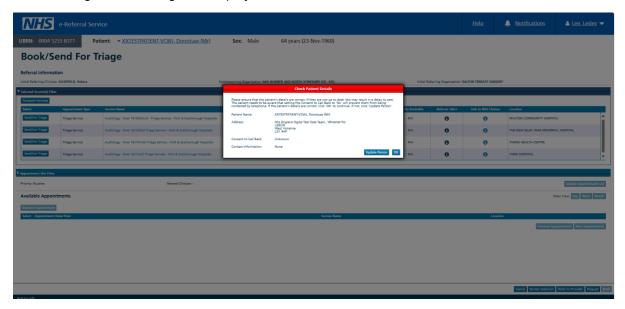
The next screen will display the service options shortlisted for the patient. Once the patient indicates which hospital they would like to be referred to, select **Send for triage** (as it's a RAS or select date and time if Directly Bookable)



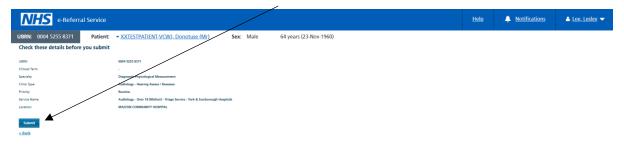




The following e-RS message will display, to confirm select ok.



To send the referral to the hospital select submit.

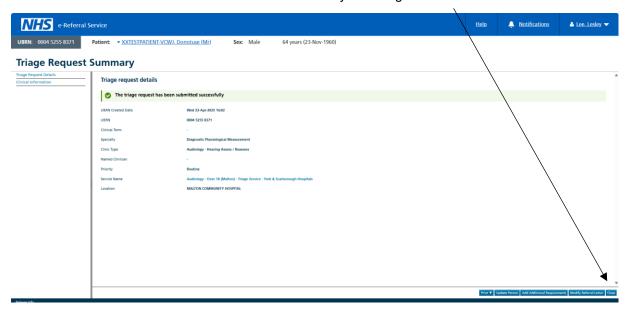


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This will then confirm all the details and can be closed by selecting the close button at the bottom



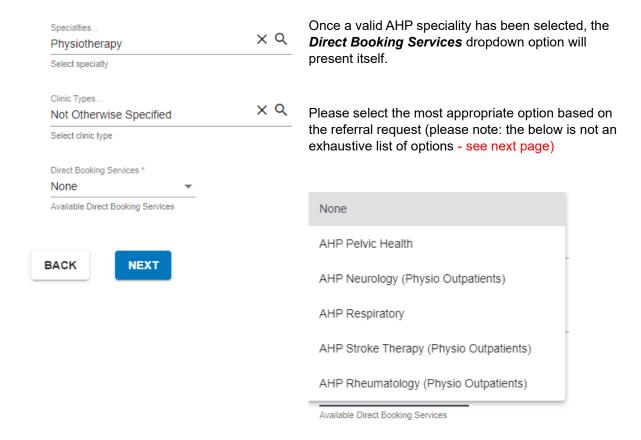
Select continue to exit and finish. The patient will now hear from their chosen provider in due course.





#### Referring AHP & MSK referrals via Gateway Book Direct

 Create new request, select referral type, clinician, and urgency before selecting the correct AHP specialty pathway from the below drop-down menu – please see next page for all available York & Scarborough Place AHP referral pathways.



If a **Direct Booking Service** drop-down pathway is not selected – the AHP referral request will not be sent to the correct AHP service.

- 2. Select *Next* and complete the remaining referral steps as normal (patient demographics, clinical details, pathway questions and reason for request)
- 3. When a Direct Booking Service is selected, the *Submit Referral* option is replaced by a **Book Direct** option (see in **blue**, below image). Please select *Book Direct* to send your referral request directly to the chosen service provider.







## Gateway® Auto-book Configurations Vale of York CCG

Use the table below as a reference when creating a referral in Gateway. The table shows which specialty and clinic type you as a referring user will need to select in order to display the relevant auto-book service.

Auto-book Services	Specialty	Clinic Type
AHP Dietetics	Dietetics	Not Otherwise Specified
AHP MSK	Physiotherapy	Musculoskeletal
AHP Neurology	Occupational Therapy;	Not Otherwise Specified;
	Physiotherapy	Not Otherwise Specified
AHP Stroke Therapy	Occupational Therapy;	Not Otherwise Specified;
	Physiotherapy	Not Otherwise Specified
AHP Rheumatology	Occupational Therapy;	Not Otherwise Specified;
	Physiotherapy	Not Otherwise Specified
AHP Pelvic Health	Physiotherapy	Not Otherwise Specified
AHP Respiratory	Physiotherapy	Not Otherwise Specified
AHP SALT	Speech and Language	Swallowing; Communication
	Therapy	
AHP Orthotics	Orthotics and Prosthetics	Orthotics
Selby Frailty Clinic	Geriatric Medicine	Not Otherwise Specified
TIA Clinic – York Hospital	General Medicine	Transient Ischemic Attack

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AHP Rheumatology	Occupational Therapy; Physiotherapy	Not Otherwise Specified; Not Otherwise Specified
AHP Pelvic Health	Physiotherapy	Not Otherwise Specified
AHP Orthotics	Orthotics and Prosthetics	Orthotics
Stroke Services – York Hospital	General Medicine	Transient Ischemic Attack
TIA Clinic - York Hospital	General Medicine	Transient Ischemic Attack