WCHN Department of Allergy and Clinical Immunology Referral Guidelines

TRIAGE CATEGORIES *please note these are maximum recommended waiting times. Currently the service is experiencing excessive demand and actual waiting times may be considerably in excess of the recommended waits. If the referring doctor believes a patient requires earlier review please contact the on call allergist to discuss the patients' needs further on 8161 7000.

P1	**6/52**
P2	**<4/12**
P3	**<8/12**
Decline Referral (DR) (Consultant decision only)	**Letter sent back to referring doctor and parent with interim advice as appropriate.**

Anaphylaxis	
Idiopathic/trigger unclear	**P1**
Bee/Wasp Venom/Jumper ant	**P1**
Foods (staple or non- staple)	**P1**
Latex	**P1**
Drug	**P1**
Food Allergy – Not Anaphylaxis	
Associated Feeding Disorder	**P1**
Associated or FTT	**P1**
Multiple Foods (including at least two staple foods)	**P1**
FPIES	**P1**
Eosinophilic Esophagitis < 12 months	**P1**
Non-staple food (Peanut/Nuts/Seeds/Seafood)	**P2**
Eosinophilic Esophagitis > 12 months	**P2**
Positive screening sIgE tests to staple foods and foods excluded[1]	**P2**
One staple food < 12 months	**P2**
One staple food > 12 months	**P3**
Positive screening sIgE tests to non-staple foods and foods excluded	**P3**
Positive screening sIgE Tests to foods and unclear if foods excluded	**DR**
Positive screening sIgE Tests to foods and food remains in diet	**DR**
Sibling of child with food allergy/Parent has food allergy	**DR**
Carbohydrate Malabsorption	**DR**
Drug allergy	
Complex - – multiple drugs, co-morbidity, no alternates available, drug required for treatment i.e. CF **(refer Drug Allergy clinic)**	**P2**
Simple – single drug, no co-morbidity, alternates available **(refer GAC)**	**P3**
Eczema	
With suspected food allergy (based on reaction or IgE) and < 12 months of age	**P1**
With suspected food allergy (based on reaction or IgE) and >12 months of age	**P2**

Apparently severe < 5 years of age where appropriate treatment has been implemented and failed	**P2**
Apparently severe and > 5 years of age where appropriate treatment has been implemented and failed	**P3**
Any severity referred by dermatology clinic WCHN **(book for Eczema clinic)**	**P2**
Apparently mild – any age	**DR**
Insect venom allergy	
Systemic reaction (not anaphylaxis)	**P2**
Local reactions	**DR**
Asthma	
Persistent, uncontrolled, and multiple admissions	**P2**
Any severity referred by respiratory physician at WCHN	**P2**
Any severity referred by Paediatrician	**P3**
Persistent and stable	**P3**
Intermittent	**DR**
Unknown severity	**DR**
Any severity referred by GP	**DR**
Allergic rhinitis and conjunctivitis	
Severe VKC	**P1**
Persistent, uncontrolled, seasonal/perennial rhinitis	**P2**
Any severity referred by ENT physician	**P2**
Any severity referred by Paediatrician	**P3**
Any severity referred by GP where treatment has been implemented but failed	**P3**
Any severity referred by GP without good evidence of treatment implementation	**DR**
Persistent and controlled seasonal/perennial rhinitis	**DR**
Intermittent (seasonal) rhinitis	**DR**
Unknown severity	**DR**
Urticaria and/or Angioedema	
Angioedema – suspected HAE	**P1**
Angioedema – HAE not suspected	**P2**
Idiopathic urticaria > 6 weeks duration	**P2**
Idiopathic urticaria < 6 weeks duration	**DR**
Physical urticaria (e.g. cold urticaria)	**DR**
Immunodeficiency (to be triaged by Consultant only)	
High probability PID	**P1**
Low probability PID	**P2**
Miscellaneous	
Auto-inflammatory condition/Periodic Fever Syndrome	**P1**
Latex – not anaphylaxis	**P2**
Suspected Food Chemical Intolerance with evidence of significant morbidity	**P3**
Suspected Food Chemical Intolerance without evidence of significant morbidity	**DR**
Non-specific Rashes	**DR**
Large local reactions to mosquito bites	**DR**
Current patients due for review	**P3**
Patients with eosinophilia, High Total IgE, positive IgE to aeroallergens but no documented clinical symptoms.	**DR**