



Queensland
Government

Children's Health Services

Royal Children's Hospital

Neurology

Consultant Clinics

Abnormal movements, tics or unsteadiness

Initial work-up	Refer when	Data needed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic neurological examination including fundoscopy • Video of suspected abnormal movement very important • CT scan not usually indicated 	<p><u>Otherwise well child</u> (including no prodromal illness)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-urgent referral to General Paediatrician who will refer to a Paediatric Neurologist as appropriate <p><u>Acutely unwell</u></p> <p>More urgent referral required in the presence of following symptoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other neurological symptoms • Prodromal illness • Regression • Abnormal neurological examination <p>Consider referral to Emergency Department</p>	<p>Bring to appointment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video of movements (if possible on CD for ease of viewing) • Any test results

Provision of named referrals for all patients referred to the RCH will expedite patient access

Clinical Advice: Tel (07) 3636 3777 and ask for Paediatric Neurology Registrar or A/H (07) 3636 9005 Emergency Department

Referral Form Download: http://www.health.qld.gov.au/rch/professionals/gp_referrals.asp

Send Referrals to: Medical Objects Address – QHEALTH, ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL Fax: (07) 3636 7811 Mail: Outpatients Department
HealthLink Address - qldrchld Royal Children's Hospital Herston Rd, HERSTON 4029

Paediatrics Pre-referral Guidelines – Neurology



Contact us

RCH Switchboard	(07) 3636 3777
Emergency Department	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPs only (clinical advice) (07) 3636 9005 • General enquiries (07) 3636 8085 • Triage nurse (07) 3636 7900 • ED Admission enquiries (07) 3636 7700 	
Admission Enquiries	(07) 3636 8307
Admission Enquiries After Hours (via the RCH Main Switch)	(07) 3636 3777
Poisons Information Centre	131126
Seriously Unwell Child: RCH Emergency Department	(07) 3636 9005

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These guidelines were reviewed and developed by specialists at the Royal Children's Hospital and reviewed by a working group of metropolitan general practitioners in Queensland.

Feedback or suggestions welcomed. Contact the **Patient Safety and Quality Unit:** CHSD-PSQU@health.qld.gov.au

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