



Q Clinic – Wide Bay Sexual Health

Outpatient Referral Guideline

Q Clinic is a state funded sexual health clinic providing free confidential testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections.

Q Clinic operates essentially under a nursing model with the nurses having obtained accredited advanced clinical practice qualifications in the area of sexual health. Under this extended role Sexual Health Nurses are able to provide assessment, testing and treatment of most sexually transmitted infections. Although not prescribers, they can administer approved restricted drugs where required under their authorisation.

A VMO is also employed for three hours a week – Dr Therese Ryan.

HIV management is provided by visiting specialists from the Sunshine Coast, Dr Keat Choong, Dr Thi Aung and Dr Kathryn Wilks.

- **Electronic** referral should be addressed to Q Clinic – Wide Bay Sexual Health
- Referrals are either categorised under general sexual health or HIV management and care.
- General sexual health referrals should be written to the Sexual Health Nurse.
- HIV referrals should be written to Dr K Choon, Dr T Aung or Dr K Wilks.

All referrals should include:

- Patient details
 - The patient's full name
 - The patient's address
 - The patient's telephone number
 - The patient's date of birth
 - Medicare number
- Primary reason for referral/provisional diagnosis (including history, duration, treatments and outcomes)
- Relevant medical and surgical history
- All recent relevant investigations
- Medication list
- Allergies
- Referring doctor's name, address, provider number and telephone/fax number

Enquiries	Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm	
Phone:	(07) 4150 2754	Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals
	(07) 4150 2754	Bundaberg

Send Referrals to	
Email:	BBH-QClinic@health.qld.gov.au