

Orthopaedic– First Outpatient Appointment

Introduction

The Covid pandemic has had a significant impact on the NHS ability to provide routine elective services. We recognise that patients are waiting longer than we would all like and it is not always possible to identify when treatment will take place.

Waiting Times

As a guide, referral to treatment waiting times are available on the website:

[The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust – My Planned Care NHS](#)

Guidance for Patients

An example of procedures performed by the Orthopaedic department after receiving referral from GP:

Total Hip & Knee replacements

Arthroscopic (“Keyhole”) and reconstructive surgery

Total shoulder replacements

Upper limb surgery

Hand and wrist surgery

Foot and ankle surgery

Alternative Services

Attendance at dressing’s clinic

Plaster room attendance

Pre and post procedure XRAY, CT, MRI

What should I do if my health is deteriorating?

The referral from your GP will have been reviewed and triaged by the Orthopaedic Team to grade your clinical priority based on the information in the referral.

If you are concerned that your condition or symptoms are deteriorating since you were referred to us, please re contact your GP. So you will be able to explain and detail the changes in your condition/symptoms since the time you were referred, and this will be passed to the clinical team will re-assess your priority.

In the case of needing emergency care or urgent review, please contact 111 or your own GP.

Contact Us

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