

Attending Anticoagulant Clinics

Patient Information

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Location and Times of Clinics

Hospital Clinics

Thomas Linacre Centre (suite 4)	Monday	9:00am	to	11:15am
	Wednesday	1:30pm	to	4:15 pm
Leigh Infirmary (area 2)	Thursday	9:00am	to	11:45am

Community Clinics

Ince Manchester Road, Higher Ince.	Monday	2:00pm	to	3:45pm
Ashton Clinic Queens Rd, Ashton.	Tuesday	9:30am	to	11:45am
Chandler House Off Poolstock Lane, Worsley Mesnes.	Tuesday	2:00pm	to	3:45pm
Leigh Health Centre The Avenue Leigh	Wednesday	9:30am	to	11:30am
Atherton Ormerod House, Nelson Street, Atherton	Thursday	2:00pm	to	3:30pm

Information about the clinics

It is very important that you keep your appointments to ensure good control of your blood levels. If you have any problems please contact the Anticoagulant Specialist Nurses.

These clinics are very busy and attempts are always being made to reduce waiting times and improve the service.

Always keep to your appointment times.

Always bring your yellow anticoagulant therapy record book to the clinic.

After the blood test

Please see the nurse if: -

- You have been in hospital since your last visit.
- Any other Doctor has changed your anticoagulant medication.
- You have been prescribed any new medication or changed doses of your current medication.
- This is your first or second visit.
- You are going on holiday and need your book back.
- If you are awaiting surgery, medical treatment, dental extraction or cardioversion.
- If you are bleeding or bruising.
- If you need any advice.

If you do not need to see the nurse you are free to leave the clinic.
You do not need to make a further appointment as your book will be returned to you by first class post with your next appointment date and time.

Please continue to take the same dose of Warfarin/Sinthrome that you are currently prescribed and follow the instructions in your book when you receive it back in the post.

New patients will receive counselling and advice regarding Anticoagulant therapy. You will be given a prescription for Warfarin tablets, usually 1mg brown tablets and 3mg blue tablets.

Repeat prescriptions must be obtained from your own GP.

For patients undergoing cardioversion.

Appointments are quite frequent because very close monitoring of your blood is required prior to your cardioversion being booked.

For patients taking Warfarin long term.

The usual treatment plan is for appointments to be at 1 week, then 2 weeks, then 4 weeks, etc. Up to a maximum of 3 months.

Some GP practices are starting their own clinics. If your GP offers this service and you wish to transfer to their clinic please inform the anticoagulant staff.

Contact telephone numbers

For change of appointments: 01942 264910

Anticoagulant advice line for non-urgent queries: 01942 822964

If you have any problems or queries please contact:
The Anticoagulant Team: 01942 822964

Comments, Compliments or Complaints

The Patient Relations/Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) Department provides confidential on the spot advice, information and support to patients, relatives, friends and carers.

Contact Us

Tel: 01942 822376 (Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm)

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Ask 3 Questions

Become more involved in decisions about your healthcare. You may be asked to make choices about your treatment. To begin with, try to make sure you get the answers to three key questions:

1. What are my options?
2. What are the pros and cons of each option for me?
3. How do I get support to help me make a decision that is right for me?



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This leaflet is also available in audio, large print, Braille and other languages upon request. For more information call 01942 773105.

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