

VANCOUVER GENERAL HOSPITAL  
**INTERNAL MEDICINE CLINIC**  
**REFERRAL AND FOLLOW-UP FORM**  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor - 2775 Laurel Street  
Gordon & Leslie Diamond Health Care Centre  
Phone: 604-875-5181 Fax: 604-875-5906

*PCIS "DCARD" label if available*

The VGH Internal Medicine Clinic serves both hospital and community-based referrals for general internal medical problems. The Clinic is affiliated with the UBC Faculty of Medicine and for this reason clinic patients should expect that their visits could include a medical student or resident doctor.

To assist us PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM IN FULL and fax to 604-875-5906. Only once we have received adequate information will we be able to book an effective visit.

Accompanying this referral, we will need a list of the patient's current medications, copies of any pertinent lab, imaging, or other special test results, and the status (location, date) of any test requests or bookings when the results are pending.

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Please fill in any information missing from any patient label applied at upper right.

Patient's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth (d mmm y) \_\_\_\_\_

PHN \_\_\_\_\_ Patient's contact # (include area code) \_\_\_\_\_

Patient's address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postal code \_\_\_\_\_

Is patient currently in hospital? No \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ Emerg visit or Admit date (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Expected discharge date (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Booking / Timing issues (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Visit objective \_\_\_\_\_

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[ ] Tuesday am Rheumatology subclinic [ ] Follow-up of MD's own care (MD name): \_\_\_\_\_

Requesting / Referring doctor \_\_\_\_\_ Billing # \_\_\_\_\_ Tel # \_\_\_\_\_

Family doctor (provide last and first name) \_\_\_\_\_ Billing # \_\_\_\_\_ Tel # \_\_\_\_\_

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**Your appointment at the Internal Medicine Clinic will be booked once the completed referral and follow-up form has been received at the clinic. The Internal Medicine Clinic will call you to book a convenient time and date.**

Please read the following instructions carefully:

- On the day of the appointment you should plan to arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled appointment in order to register and to fill in all the necessary forms. Be aware that parking near the hospital is often difficult to find, and an ample amount of time should be allowed to find parking and walk safely to the clinic. Underground pay parking is available at the Gordon & Leslie Diamond Health Care Centre or at the parkade at West 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Laurel Street. The clinic does not carry change. If you park underground at the Diamond Health Care Centre, you will need to change elevators when you reach the main floor, as separate elevators serve the floors above main.
- Failure to appear, or to cancel or change the appointment at least 24 hours in advance, may result in charges for which the patient will be responsible.

Please bring the following:

- All of your medications in their original containers. If this is not possible, bring a complete list of all of your medications, including dosage and frequency. Please note that all pharmacies in BC should be able to provide you with a printed list of all your current prescriptions upon request.

- Please bring your BC Medical Carecard with you, or if you have other medical insurance coverage then please bring that with you.

- Please bring an interpreter with you if needed.

- A family member is welcome to accompany you when you see the doctor.

What to expect during your visit:

- You will usually be seen first by a medical student or resident physician who works in consultation with an Internal Medicine specialist. The doctor will review your tests, examine you, and possibly send you for further tests that can be done at Vancouver General Hospital. If these tests are arranged to immediately follow your visit with the doctor, this may extend your total time to 2-3 hours. If immediate tests are not required, or are booked for another time, a first visit should take between 1-2 hours.