



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION RESPONSE

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Preoperative clinics

Does the Trust have any service relating to pre-operative clinics for elderly patients?

- There is no dedicated clinic for elderly patients for pre-operative assessment (POA) at WAHT.
- The POA service has a dedicated anaesthetic assessment risk management clinic (AMRC)with the facility for cardio-pulmonary exercise testing, both of which are led by a Consultant Anaesthetist. This service is utilised by all patients, including the elderly.
- As clinically indicated, the Consultant Anaesthetist will make an onward referral back to the patient's GP for optimisation as appropriate.

How are these services delivered? Of four hospital sites within the Trust, AMRC is available on two sites.

How often are they run? There are five ARMC sessions per week at Worcestershire Royal Hospital and three AMRC sessions at Alexandra Hospital.

What professions are part of this service? Registered nursing staff and Consultant Anaesthetists

Do you have any performance reports relating to this service? N/A