

INFORMATION SHEET FOR PRIVATE REFERRALS

If you have agreed with the GP that you wish a private referral, please check with your insurance company that they will authorise this. You can also make a private appointment if you are uninsured.

We would ask that you then contact the relevant private hospital and department and make the private appointment yourself – your GP will have advised you which department/speciality/specialist to contact

Local private hospitals are as follows:

Spire Roundhay – 0113 218 5908

Spire Methley Park - 01977 518518

Nuffield Leeds - 0113 388 2000

Once you have made your appointment please phone the surgery at Kippax to give us the details - we need name of hospital being attended, name of specialist, date and time of appointment.

When making your appointment please allow our secretaries **5 working days notice**, in order that we can dictate and type your referral letter. Any appointment that is made at less than 5 working days notice **will incur a charge of £25 for the referral letter**.

You may receive a prescription when you see the consultant privately. If the pharmacy at the hospital is closed then your private prescription can be taken to any chemist.

The practice is not obliged to convert your private prescription to a NHS prescription and will only do so with a letter from the consultant and this may take several days.

The practice reserves the right to change the medication to a suitable alternative.

Any tests required during your private consultation can either be conducted privately at the site of consultation or will be charged for by the practice including the clinicians time.