



CARDIOLOGY- ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY TELEMEDICINE QUICK REFERENCE PROTOCOL

PURPOSE

Telemedicine will be considered for appointments with the Cardiology specialist for patients living at a distance from The Ottawa Hospital. Appointments will be offered to patients on a case by case basis at the discretion of the Cardiology specialist and based on the patient's medical condition.

CLINIC AVAILABILITY AND REFERRAL PROCESS

The Referring Provider completes the following documents and faxes to Cardiology Clinic
Fax#: 613-739-6727

- Request for consultation including diagnosis and patient history
- Lab and Diagnostic results as needed
- Completed Arrhythmia or Pacemaker Referral Form (optional)

Telemedicine Clinic Schedule

- Appointments are available Monday to Friday as per specialist's availability.
- New consults are scheduled for 30 min.
- Follow-up appointments are scheduled for 15 min.

SCHEDULING PROCESS

Once confirmation of booked appointment received from TOH Telemedicine Staff,

Patient Site Nurse will:

- Contact patient and confirm appointment time, duration and location.
- Instruct patient to arrive 45 min prior to appointment time and bring a current list of their medications and allergies.
- **Send patient for ECG at your site.**
- If ECG cannot be completed at your site, please inform the TOH Telemedicine Nurse as soon as possible.

DAY OF APPOINTMENT

Patient Site Nurse must do the following:

- Prepare Hand Held Camera and Tele-Stethoscope
- Complete the Standard Telemedicine Worksheet (includes VS, meds, allergies)
- Send the completed document and a copy of the ECG to the Fax number associated with the TOH system in NCompass prior to the appointment.

**If patient is late/ no show or any other issues-please call TOH Telemedicine Clerk
at 613-737-8899 ext 16605**