



Oxford University Hospitals
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Update on re-opening of temporarily closed specialties

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Update on specialties previously temporarily closed to routine referrals

- All specialties provided by OUH remained open for urgent and suspected cancer GP referrals throughout the Covid-19 Pandemic
- Majority of specialties reopened to routine referrals by GPs after the first wave of the Pandemic
- The following specialties had remained temporarily closed to new routine GP referrals due to capacity constraints:
 - Cataract pathway
 - Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) service
 - Maxillofacial Surgery

On 1st December 2021, OUH re-opened to routine GP referrals for the above specialties as follows:

- **Maxillofacial Surgery** reopened on Wednesday, 1st December 2021 for Oxfordshire residents
- **Cataract pathway** for routine GP referrals from Oxfordshire GPs reopened on 1st December 2021:
- **ENT service** reopened for routine GP referrals for Adults and Children for Oxfordshire residents on 1st December 2021

OUH continue to work closely with partner organisations across Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Integrated Care System (BOB ICS) to help support the demand and capacity issues for high volume clinical services.