

OUTPATIENT SERVICE DESCRIPTION & TRIAGE GUIDELINES

ALLERGY/CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY SERVICE - ADULTS

Southern Adelaide Local Health Network (SALHN)

Description of Service

The SALHN Allergy/Clinical Immunology (ACI) Service provides care to adults and transition care to children > 16 years with serious and complex allergic and immunologic disorders. The clinical assessment and management of patients is provided by a highly integrated, specialised multi-disciplinary team, consisting of medical staff, allergy nurses and dietitian.

Services provided

- [Anaphylaxis](#)
- [Systemic Autoimmune Disease](#)
- [Urticaria](#)
- [Recurrent Angioedema](#) (without urticaria) if C4 reduced or > 6 weeks duration.
- [Drug Allergy](#)
- [Atopic Eczema](#)
- [Allergic Rhinoconjunctivitis](#)
- [Suspected Primary Immunodeficiency](#)
- Complicated IgE mediated food allergy.

Services not provided

- Chronic cough
- Insect Sting reaction without anaphylaxis
- Allergic Rhinitis without trialled medical management
- Urticaria without trialled medical management
- Asthma
- Atopic Eczema without trialled medical management
- Contact Dermatitis
- Diarrhoea/constipation/bloating.
- Ongoing PBS Authority prescriptions for Adrenaline Auto Injector (EpiPen).
- Isolated Pruritus.
- Elevated ANA in absence of clinically relevant problem.
- Chronic infections (Rickettsia)
- Adverse non allergic drug reactions.

For Appointments contact Immunology Registrar:

Flinders Medical Centre (FMC) Ph: (08) 8204 5511 [page the Immunology Registrar](#)

Triage Criteria for Referral

Category 1 Target < 4 week Current < 6 weeks	Category 2 Target < 6 months Current < 2 years	Category 3 Target < 12 months Current < 2 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Idiopathic Anaphylaxis • Anaphylaxis without a management plan • Suspected Immune Deficiency • Urticarial vasculitis • Angioedema with airway threat. • Complicated IgE- mediated food allergy (FA). • Suspected primary immunodeficiency • Multisystem autoimmune disease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allergic Rhinoconjunctivitis with failed medical intervention. • Atopic Eczema with failed medical intervention • Recurrent angioedema • Urticaria > 6 weeks duration • Drug allergy • Systemic Autoimmune disease • Nasal Polyps • Uncomplicated IgE-mediated food allergy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of previous anaphylaxis with management plan. • Review of existing food/drug allergy.

General Information to assist with referrals and the and Referral templates for FMC are available to download from the SALHN Outpatient Services website www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/SALHNoutpatients

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