

Clinical immunology young adult clinic

Information for patients
and families

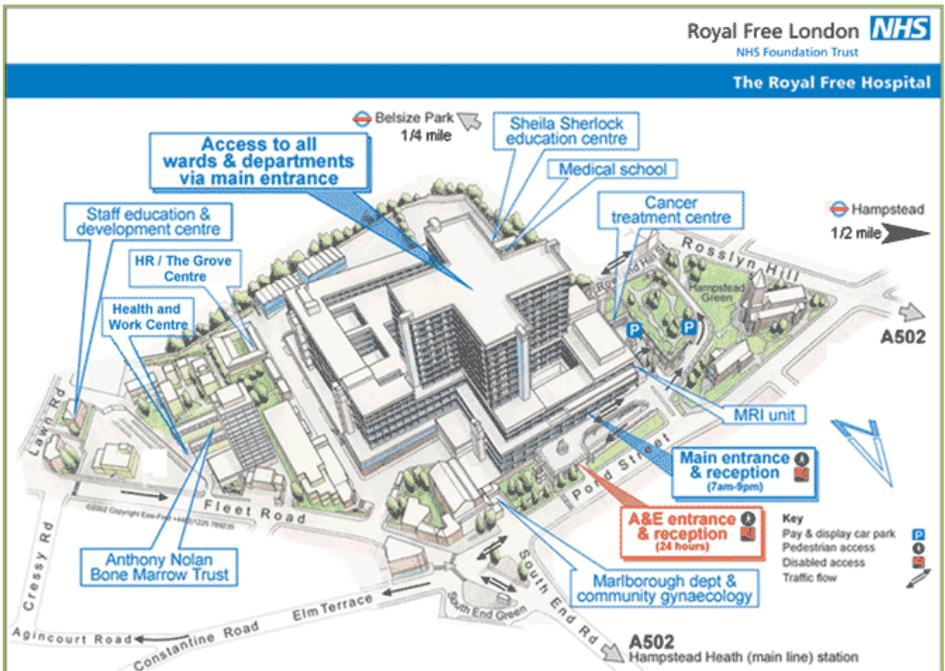
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What is the young adult clinic?

The clinical immunology young adult clinic is for patients aged between 16 and 25, and their families. It is a stepping stone between children's services and attending an adult clinic at the Royal Free Hospital.

When and where is the young adult clinic?

The clinic is held on the first Friday of every month in the Institute of Immunology and Transplantation (IIT) on the 2nd floor of the Royal Free Hospital.



The team



Dr Matthew Buckland is a consultant immunologist who works at both the Royal Free Hospital and Great Ormond Street Hospital.



Dr Siobhan Burns is a consultant immunologist and clinical lead within the immunology department. She previously worked in paediatric immunology at Great Ormond Street Hospital.



Dr Mari Campbell is a clinical psychologist who works with patients to support their transition from child to adult services.



Andrew Symes is a clinical nurse specialist. He is the first point of contact for anything related to immunoglobulin treatments.

What happens at the clinic?

When you first attend the clinic you will be seen by a healthcare assistant who will measure your height and weight. You will then meet the medical team who will review your health since your last appointment. If applicable, there will also be the opportunity to spend some time talking about how you are managing your infusions.

It is likely that you will have blood tests and occasionally other tests, such as a lung function test or chest x-rays.

As you are now under the care of adult services, questions, correspondence and information will be directed to you, rather than your parents or carer. However, you are always welcome to bring somebody with you for support.

Clinic appointments can involve a bit of waiting, so please bring something with you to keep you entertained.

Free Wi-Fi is provided for patients at the hospital. Select ‘_TheCloud’ from the list of available Wi-Fi networks on your device – you may need to sign up before you can access the service.

Tips from patients



Contacting the team

If you ever need to contact the immunology team, you should first contact us via email to: rf.clinicalimmunology@nhs.net or by calling our secretary, Johanna Heinecke, on **020 7830 2141**.

If you are unable to get through and it is an emergency, you can call the **Royal Free London switchboard on 020 7794 0500**. During office hours ask to be put through to the **immunology registrar bleep** or, out of hours, the **on-call immunology consultant**.

Further information

For more information about the immunology department at the Royal Free London, please visit our website:

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