

QuRE Patient & Caregiver Referral Checklist

REFERRING PROVIDER INFORMATION

Name, phone, fax, indicate if different from family doctor

SPECIALIST INFORMATION

Name, phone, fax, specialty

REASON FOR REFERRAL

- Why am I being referred?
- What kind of specialist am I going to see?
- Am I seeing a specialist to:
 - Determine what is wrong?
 - Treat the condition?
 - Take over care of the condition?
 - Do a procedure?
- Am I being referred to a specific specialist or a group of specialists?
- What are my choices about who to see? Can I pick someone specific?
- How long are the wait times? Is my referral urgent?

Use this tool with your primary care provider to understand why you've been referred to a specialist

REFERRAL PROCESS

- When will I find out my appointment details? How will I be informed?
- How long should I wait to call back if I have not heard anything?
 - Who should I contact?
- Who do I contact if my symptoms get worse?

BEFORE THE APPOINTMENT

- What do I need to do before I see the specialist?
e.g. Lab tests and/or imaging, and the time frames to get them done
- Who will provide my results to the specialist?
- How will I find out the details about my specialist appointment?
e.g. Address, directions, parking, etc.
- What information do I need to bring to my specialist appointment?

NEXT STEPS

- Are we changing anything in my care today?
- Is there a website or resource you can provide me with for more information?

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