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Pre-Injection Assessment Service for Pain Therapy Patients with Spinal Conditions for Chiropractors

As of April 14, 2020, Mayfair Diagnostics began providing pre-injection assessment for patients needing spine injections (neck and back). This was to ensure that your patients receive the most appropriate treatment plan.

This assessment process works as follows:

- The referrer selects the 'Pre-Injection Assessment' checkbox on the pain therapy requisition and faxes it to Mayfair. The Pre-Injection Assessment box can be found in the middle column of the section of the requisition called 'Therapy Site Requested and it appears as shown below:

For Pre-Injection Assessment

(If checked, we will review prior imaging and suggest appropriate injection therapy.)

- A Mayfair Pain Therapy booking specialist will call the patient to complete the Spine Assessment form and advise the patient that they will be receiving a phone consultation call from our chronic pain specialist.
- A chronic pain specialist partnered with Mayfair, Dr. Philip Braithwaite*, will review the patient's requisition, spine assessment form, and any applicable diagnostic tests (laboratory tests or imaging in PACS or the Netcare provincial repository). Dr. Braithwaite will perform a telemedicine consultation with the patient, to develop a comprehensive treatment plan and/or to determine the most appropriate course of action for your patients.
- This report will be sent to the originating referrer typically within 7 - 10 business days.
- If pain injections form part of the treatment plan, these will be booked on behalf of the patient by Dr. Braithwaite at any of the Mayfair clinics offering pain therapy injections, and the patient will be notified.
- A Mayfair Radiologist that sub-specializes in MSK pain therapy will report on the exam once completed for the patient. The report will be sent to Dr. Braithwaite and copied to the referrer and will also be uploaded to Netcare.
- Any post injection follow-up will be coordinated independently by Dr. Braithwaite's office

If you have any questions regarding the assessment service or our pain therapy services, please contact BD@radiology.ca

*Dr. Philip Braithwaite, MBChB FFARCS, is an experienced Specialist in Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine. He concentrates full-time on Pain Therapy, particularly Interventional Pain. In recent years Dr. Braithwaite has focused on Interventional Pain Therapy and Spine Assessments, both surgical and non-surgical, attempting to provide the best possible outcomes for these and other pain conditions. Dr. Braithwaite's association with Mayfair Diagnostics includes pre-screening assessment for patients who may benefit from intervention

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