



North West London Cardiac Network

CARDIAC CHOICE – PATIENT INFORMATION

Giving patients more choice about how, when and where they receive treatment is one of the underlying principles of the Government's health strategy.

From 1 April 2005, if you are a resident of North West London and your Cardiologist has told you that you require one of the procedures listed below, you will have the option of choosing to have this undertaken at any of the hospitals detailed in this leaflet.

1) Angioplasty 2) Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting 3) Valve Surgery

This information has been produced to assist you to make a choice. A member of the team at your referring hospital will discuss these options with you further. Alternatively, for more detailed information, you may also wish to contact the named individual detailed for each of the hospitals below. Further patient information is also available at www.nhs.uk

Please note: If you live outside the North West London area, the choice of hospitals available to you will be different. Please contact your GP who will be able to advise you.

Hammersmith Hospitals NHS Trust, (Hammersmith Hospital, Du Cane Road, London, W12 0HS, Tel: 020 8383 1000

Hammersmith Hospitals NHS Trust is a 3 star specialist tertiary centre, accredited by the Society of Cardiothoracic Surgeons. The Trust provides a comprehensive service treating all aspects of adult acute and chronic heart disease. All Cardiac surgery and Cardiology intervention is performed at the Hammersmith site. The consultant body consists of 4 cardiothoracic surgeons and 16 cardiologists, offering a range of specialist treatments including diagnostic angiograms, angioplasty, coronary artery bypass grafting and valve surgery.

Facilities include a dedicated Cardiac Intensive Care Unit, Coronary Care Unit and cardiac wards. There are good transport links to the hospital; central line tube 10 minutes walk away and several major bus routes stop at the hospital. Pay and Display parking is available on site. For further information, visit <http://www.hhnt.nhs.uk>

Cardiac Choice Contact: Cardiac Patient Care Advisor Tel: 020 8383 4398

North West London NHS Trust - Northwick Park Hospital, (Watford Road, Harrow, Middlesex, HA1 3UJ, Tel: 020 8864 3232)

Northwick Park is a major District General Hospital sited between Harrow and North Wembley. The hospital has generous on site pay and display parking and is served by good transport links: Silver link rail services, Metropolitan and Bakerloo line tubes and several bus routes.

The Cardiology Department at Northwick Park is supported by 4 trained Consultant Cardiologists, offering a range of cardiology services including a comprehensive Angioplasty service. The hospital does not provide cardiac surgery but there are explicit arrangements with St Mary's Hospital for offsite surgical cover, (20 minute transport time). The service was recently subject to a successful British Cardiovascular Intervention Society visit. The cardiology service at Northwick Park accepts all Angioplasty cases with the following exceptions:

a) Unprotected Left Main Stem stenosis, b) Last remaining conduit, c) Degenerate saphenous vein graft disease, d) Requirement for rotablation/laser disobliteration

Your Cardiologist will advise you if any of the above exclusion criteria affect you.

For further information, visit: <http://www.nwlh.nhs.uk>

Cardiac Choice Contact: Patient Liaison Service, PALS@nwlh.nhs.uk, Tel: 020 88695119

Royal Brompton & Harefield Hospitals, (Royal Brompton Hospital, Sydney Street, London, SW3 6NP, Tel: 020 7352 8121 & Harefield Hospital, Hill End Road, Harefield, Middlesex, UB9 6JH, Tel: 01895 823737)

The Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Trust is a 3 star Trust and the largest cardiothoracic centre in the UK. Both hospitals are world class leaders in the investigation, treatment and care of people with heart disease. Royal Brompton Hospital is situated just off the King's Road, easily accessible from central London. By contrast, Harefield Hospital is situated in extensive 47 acre grounds, 5 miles from the centre of Uxbridge and accessible from the M25. Patients may choose either site.

Across the Trust, 19 Consultant Cardiologists provide a full range of invasive and non-invasive diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, including Angioplasty, in state-of-the-art facilities, for patients with all forms of cardiac disease.

A complete surgical service, including coronary bypass grafting and valve surgery is provided by 11 Consultant Cardiac Surgeons across the Trust. The Trust specialises in robotic and minimally invasive cardiac surgery and has an excellent track record for off-pump surgery.

For further information, visit: <http://www.rbh.nthames.nhs.uk>

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St Mary's NHS Trust, (Praed Street, London, W2 1NY, Tel: 020 7886 6666)

St. Mary's Hospital is a 3 star Trust located in the heart of Paddington, offering a full range of services for both its local and a national population. The hospital has an international reputation and was named Sunday Times Hospital of the Year 2003. It is extremely well served by public transport with Paddington Main Line Station 5 minutes from the Hospital and served by the Bakerloo, Circle, District and Hammersmith & City tube Lines and several major Bus routes; The A40 is also situated near the hospital.

The Cardiac department is an innovative, highly specialised and technologically advanced unit, offering a full range of adult cardiac diagnostic and treatment services including Angioplasty, Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting and Valve Surgery.

For further information, visit: <http://www.st-marys.nhs.uk>

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University College London Hospitals NHS Trust - The Heart Hospital, (16-18 Westmoreland Street, London W1G 8PH)

UCLH is a Foundation Trust and one of the largest Trusts in the UK. Cardiac services are provided at the Heart Hospital which was acquired from the private sector by UCLH during 2001. This state of the art facility is conveniently situated in the heart of London with excellent transport links and provides dedicated cardiac services covering a full range of adult acute and chronic conditions. In addition to offering services including diagnostic angiograms, angioplasty, coronary artery bypass grafting and valve surgery, a number of other specialist cardiac services are provided by the hospital.

Facilities include 90 cardiac beds, with dedicated cardiac intensive care, high dependency and day care beds. The hospital has 4 cardiac theatres and 3 catheter labs.

For further information, visit: <http://www.uclh.org>

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