

IMMUNOLOGY

National Access Criteria for First Assessment (ACA)

Category Definitions :

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| 1. Immediate | - <i>within 24 hours</i> |
| 2. Urgent | - <i>within 1 week</i> |
| 3. Semi - Urgent | - <i>within 4 weeks</i> |
| 4. Routine | - <i>within 8 weeks</i> |

Immediate and Urgent cases must be discussed with the Specialist or Registrar in order to get appropriate prioritisation and then a referral letter sent with the patient, faxed or e-mailed. The times to assessment may vary depending on size and staffing of the hospital department.

Category	Criteria / Examples (not an exhaustive list)
1. Immediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspected serious immuno deficiency
2. Urgent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspected urticarial vasculitis • Uncontrolled or re-current anaphylaxis • Hereditary (CINH) angioedema
3. Semi - Urgent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Venom anaphylaxis • Anaphylaxis (other than uncontrolled) • Severe poorly controlled urticaria • Angioedema • Other immune deficiency disorders
4. Routine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rhino conjunctivitis • chronic urticaria • Food allergy/eczema • Latex allergy • Asthma (when considering desensitisation or allergy avoidance)