

## **Telemedicine Clinic**

**Issued by the Orthopaedic Department**

### **What is the telemedicine clinic?**

The telemedicine clinic is a new service which has been specifically designed for orthopaedic patients who live in rural areas that are a large distance from their nearest general hospital. The telemedicine clinic offers patients a consultation with an orthopaedic consultant via a video link.

### **How does the telemedicine clinic work?**

You will be invited to attend Berwick Infirmary. One of our physiotherapists, trained in using telemedicine, will examine you under the direction of an orthopaedic consultant. The consultant will be based at Wansbeck Hospital and will be able to see the examination via video link.

### **What are the benefits of the telemedicine clinic?**

The aim of the clinic is to provide a high quality fracture clinic service that minimises the distance you need to travel.

Occasionally it may be necessary for you to attend Wansbeck Hospital.

This is a new service and we would be very interested to hear what you think of it. You may be asked to complete a short questionnaire to give us your views and feedback.

### **Contact details**

If you need any further information about the service please contact us between 9.00am and 5.00pm.

Telephone: 01670 529406

## **Alternative Formats**

If you would like a copy of this information in large print, another language, audio tape or other format please call the Contact Centre on 03 44 811 8118.

## **Other sources of information**

**NHS 111**

**NHS Choices** [www.nhs.uk/pages/homepage.aspx](http://www.nhs.uk/pages/homepage.aspx)

**NICE (National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence)** [www.nice.org.uk](http://www.nice.org.uk)

## **Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS)**

Freephone: 0800 032 0202 Text: 01670 511098

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