



THORACIC SURGERY CLINIC TELEMEDICINE QUICK REFERENCE PROTOCOL

PURPOSE

Benign Thoracic Surgery Telemedicine appointments are available to patients living at a distance from the Ottawa Hospital. Appointments will be offered to patients on a case by case basis at the discretion of the Consulting Physician, Dr. P. Villeneuve.

CLINIC SCHEDULE AND REFERRAL PROCESS

Follow Up Appointments

- Appointments will be available during regular clinic days and will be scheduled for **30 minutes**
- The physician will identify patients returning to a distant community who would benefit from follow up via telemedicine.
- The physician will write a note in the patients' chart to indicate that follow up will be via telemedicine and patient has consented.

SCHEDULING PROCESS

Once confirmation received from TOH Telemedicine Staff of appointment booked,

The Patient Site Telemedicine Nurse will:

- Call the patient to notify them of their appointment date and time
- Patient must arrive 30 min prior to appointment start time

PATIENT CONSULTATION

The Patient Site Nurse:

- Completes the Standard Telemedicine Worksheet (includes VS, meds and allergies)
- Please send the completed document to the Fax number associated with the TOH system in NCompass
- Have Telesteth and AMD camera available as per surgeon's request

****If patient is late/ no show or any other issues-please call TOH Clinical Scheduler at 613-737-8899 ext 16605**