Northeast Health Wangaratta – **Speech Pathology Private Clinic** - Pre – referral Management Guideline

| **Staff:**  
Speech Pathologist –  
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1. **EPC Referral:**

Enhanced Primary Care form from the patient’s medical practitioner outlining the EPC details and the reason for the referral. This patient can then partially claim their appointments via Medicare for a certain number of sessions, as specified by the medical practitioner.

2. **Other Referral**

Parent referral from the NHW Speech Pathology Public Service waiting list, where the parents request to be seen through the private clinic, paying full cost recovery or claiming it through their private health insurance (if applicable).

| **Conditions SEEN on-referral:**  
• Speech/Articulation Delay/Disorder  
• Receptive Language Delay/Disorder  
• Expressive Language Delay/Disorder  
• Stuttering  
• Voice | **Conditions NOT SEEN In this Clinic:**  
• Paediatric Feeding  
• Clients suitable for Early Childhood Intervention Services (ECIS). | **Conditions (Timing Guidelines) – at discharged from Hospital Ward:**  
• N/A

| **Triage Categories / Appointment Wait Times** | **Category 1** | **Category 2** | **Category 3 (Routine)**

**Emergency / After Hours:**  
N/A | Speech Pathology Private Clinic referrals are considered Priority referrals, with their appointment being scheduled ASAP. | N/A | N/A |

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