

Rotherham Epilepsy Liaison Service Pathway

Patient seen by Consultant Neurologist and diagnosed with epilepsy or suspected epilepsy and started on treatment.



Epilepsy Specialist Nurse (ESN) informed of the patient.



Patient receives a leaflet about the ESN service and an invite to contact and make an appointment.



Patient contacts service

An appointment is made, and is seen in the nurse led clinic. Follow up is arranged or patient is left on open access to nursing service.

Patient doesn't contact service

Non-responders reviewed by ESN to determine if need to contact or send appointment anyway (e.g. if vulnerable), or if to return to referrer informing of non-response. Non responder letters copied to patient and GP.

Patient does not want an appointment at this time.

Patient can still contact with questions or problems in the future. This is recorded on the referrals database and referrer is informed.



GP informed of patient contact with ESN. GP can contact the ESN at any time for advice on choice or titration of epilepsy medication.



Nurse led Follow Up

ESN work to treatment plans set out by consultant, in conjunction with shared care protocol. Medication can be titrated without consultant discussion providing the antiepileptic drug was initially started by the consultant.



Medication Changes

If a medication change is needed, and an alternative anti-epileptic drug has been suggested in a consultant clinic letter, the ESN can ask the GP to prescribe and provide plans for medication changes, quoting the consultant advice. Specialist nurses will then support the patient with the medication change.

Patient Helpline: 0114 2712186
Clinician Helpline: 0114 2713488