## **Oral Medicine**

## Information for referrers

Referral information	Emergency / Urgent appointments can be made with Consultants in Oral Medicine for the following conditions:-  Trigeminal neuralgia Suspected cancer – intractable oral ulceration, premalignant lesions Debilitating oral ulceration Immuno-compromised patients Loss of oro-facial sensation
	Urgent appointments maybe discussed prior to referral by ringing the Primary Dental care Unit on 0117 342 4375/76
	Indications for referral for <b>consultation for non-urgent patients</b> are as follows:
	<ul> <li>Oro-facial pain, other than trigeminal neuralgia</li> <li>Burning mouth syndrome</li> <li>Chronic disorders of the mucous membrane</li> <li>Benign swellings, including those of the salivary glands</li> <li>Lesions of the oral mucosa (ulcers, white patches, red patches, swellings)</li> <li>Persistent cervical lymphadenopathy</li> <li>Facial pain that a GDP has not been able to diagnose or control</li> <li>Salivary gland disorders (swellings, dry mouth)</li> <li>Trigeminal neuralgia</li> <li>Oral dysathesia (sore/burning mouth)</li> <li>TMJ dysfunction</li> </ul> Please note – patients with suspected cancer must be referred via the Fast Track Office:
	0117 342 0652
	TMJ Pain referrals
	Should be made on the attached TMJ pain referral proforma. Referrals made not on this proforma will be returned to the GDP.
Treatment offered	<ul> <li>Medical management</li> <li>Biopsy and haematological investigations used for diagnostic purposes</li> <li>Undergraduate observation of clinics only</li> </ul>

## Information for patients and careers

Service name	Oral Medicine
Division	Surgery, Head & Neck
Hospital	University of Bristol Dental Hospital
Description of service	Comprehensive Oral Medicine service.
(for public)	
Areas of excellence	Oral medicine, oral pathology, head & neck tumours
General contact	0117 342 4134
details	

## **Patient information leaflets**

There is a wide range of high quality patient information leaflets available. Some of these may well be suitable for your patients to access on the website. Please visit <a href="http://nww.avon.nhs.uk/dms/">http://nww.avon.nhs.uk/dms/</a> and select 'Patient Information' then 'University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust', all the leaflets are then organised by Division and service. Please identify the appropriate leaflets for your service and enter their names into the box below, along with the DMS link to the leaflet.