

## Where to find us :

The Medical Assessment Unit is located in the **Urgent Care Centre** in St. John's Hospital.

There is a Set Down Area in the yard adjacent to the MAU if you need assistance or need to be collected near the door. There are also designated Disabled Parking Spaces in the main car park.

Free parking in the hospital car park is limited. Pay and Display disc parking operates on the street outside and there is paid parking available in Car Parks nearby.

## Hospital Facilities:

There is a shop located at the hospital's Main Reception area, where sandwiches, snacks, hot and cold drinks are available.

[www.stjohnshospital.ie](http://www.stjohnshospital.ie)

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## Mission statement

*Faithful to our tradition we provide the highest possible standard of care and treatment in a professional and compassionate manner to every person who avails of our service.*

## In An Emergency :

**Please go to your nearest Emergency department or call an ambulance on 999 or 112.**

If you need to **cancel your appointment** please inform the Medical Assessment Unit as soon as possible at **(061) 462130** and also inform your GP.



## Medical Assessment Unit (MAU)

**St. John's Hospital,  
St. John's Square, Limerick .**

## MAU Contact Number:

**Phone : (061) 462130**

**Fax : (061) 462155**

**Opening Hours : 8 am - 6 pm  
Monday— Friday.**

**(excluding bank holidays)**

## What is a Medical Assessment Unit (MAU) ?

The MAU provides assessment and treatment by a multidisciplinary team, for patients with stable medical conditions, who are referred by their family doctor (GP).

## How is an MAU appointment arranged ?

You need to **attend your GP** for an initial assessment.  
Your GP will call the Case Manager in the MAU and arrange an **appointment for you.**

## What do you need to bring to the MAU ?

- Your **GP referral letter.**
- Medicines you are taking.
- Medical card and /or Private Health Insurance details.
- Contact number for a relative.
- On occasions some patients are admitted to hospital and may need overnight clothes and essentials.

## What happens in the MAU ?

- Check in with your GP referral letter at the MAU Reception .
- A nurse will complete the first part of your assessment.
- This may include blood pressure, pulse and temperature, a heart tracing (ECG) and blood tests if required.
- Assessment by a senior doctor is next and tests such as x-ray, scan or a monitor may be booked. Most tests are completed the same day and some are booked by appointment for a later date .
- The process of assessment, investigations, results, treatment and diagnosis may take up to 6 hours to complete.
- You may wish to bring a book or newspaper with you to pass the time or you are welcome to watch TV in the waiting area during your stay.

### Remember :

Please inform a member of staff on arrival, if you have any **infections** or **special requirements** we need to know about or can help you with.

## Final part of your MAU visit :

- When your test results are available you will be seen by the doctor again (Consultant / Registrar) and a plan of care explained to you.
- Most patients are discharged home, with follow up care by their GP.
- Some patients will receive a review appointment for the MAU.
- Some patients are referred for further tests and will receive an appointment in the post.
- Some patients are referred to a specialist in another hospital.
- A small number of patients are admitted to St. John's Hospital on the same day or to another hospital in the region if necessary.

**Do not leave** the MAU without speaking to one of the nurses who will discuss your **follow up care** with you prior to discharge. If you have any questions please feel free to ask any of the MAU staff.