

## **Information for Patients attending the GP Care Testicular Clinic**

You have been referred to the GP Care Community Urology Service by your GP because you have noticed a lump or swelling in one of your testicles and/or the testicle has been painful.

### **What happens at the clinic?**

Please report to the reception desk at the Health Centre and tell the receptionist that you have arrived for the Community Urology Clinic. They will be expecting you and will ask you to sit where they can see you. They will inform the Community Urology Clinic staff of your arrival.

A Nurse will come to collect you and take you to the investigation room where you will have a consultation Urology Specialist who will perform an examination and you will also have an ultrasound scan of both testicles.

### **What happens at the ultrasound scan?**

An ultrasound scan is a simple painless procedure that uses sound waves to 'see' inside the body, in an attempt to identify any abnormalities. You will remove your lower clothing and lie down on a couch. A gel will be applied to your scrotum and ultrasound probe used to obtain a picture of the scrotum. Both testicles will be scanned in this way and photographs of the scans will be taken and kept as a record in your notes. You can then wipe away the gel and get dressed.

### **What happens next?**

A copy of the report sent to your GP will be given to you. You will then be free to go home.