

## Referral framework

During normal working hours, our paediatric physicians are happy to discuss urgent referrals.

### Send referral to...

#### Broken Hill Outpatient Service

[FWLHD-OutpatientServices@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:FWLHD-OutpatientServices@health.nsw.gov.au)

Fax referral to 08 8080 1305

### Name of clinical condition / presentation

- Behavioural Disorders in children, and
- Learning difficulties

### Indications for specialist referral

- Behaviour not improved after parenting course

### Referral information required

- Whatever information is available e.g. school reports, therapist reports (Occupational Therapist, Speech Therapist, Psychologist ??)

### Investigations required

- Conners cognitive assessment, Wechsler Individual Achievement Test WIATT, Adaptive Behaviour Assessment System ABBAS)
- Vanderbilt assessment scale if ADHD suspected

### Initial management

- Encourage parenting course
- Consider Mental Health Plan for Psychology input

### 'Red Flag' items

- Escalating behaviour
- Poor socialisation
- "in his own world"
- Suspicion of Autistic Spectrum Disorder



### How to access care in the event of a 'red flag'

- Call 'on-call' Paediatrician for giving referral  
Cat 1 triage

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### Other Information