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Paediatric Cardiovascular Surgery

Diagnosis	W2 Priority
Tricuspid insufficiency	VI
Vascular Ring	IV
Aortic stenosis	V
HOCM	V
Pulmonary Vein Stenosis	IV
TAPVD (Infracardiac)	Ila
Aortic insufficiency	V
Aorto-Pulm Collaterals	V
P.A. Hypoplasia	VI
Pulmonary valve stenosis	V
A-P Window	III
Cardiac Trauma	I
Cardiomyopathy-hypertrophic	VI
TAPVD (Intracardiac)	III
Endocarditis	III
Myocarditis	Ila
PAPVD (Part of 1 Lung)	VI
TAPVD (Supracardiac)	III

Diagnosis	W2 Priority
ASD Secundum	VI
VSD Membranous	IV
Hypoplastic left heart complex	Ila
Transposition – Isolated	IIb
ASD primum	VI
Prosthetic valve/conduit failure	V
Pulm. Atresia / VSD	IIb
Arrhythmia – Heart Block	Ila
LVOT Stenosis/Fibromuscular	IV
Pulm. Atresia / IVS	IIb
Tamponade/LOS/arrest/open sternum	I
Truncus Arteriosus	IIb
ASD Sinous Venous	VI
Interrupted Aortic Arch	Ila
Pulmonary insufficiency	VI
VSD Multiple	IV
Mitral insufficiency	V
Aneurysm-aortic	IV
Supravalve Aortic Stenosis	V

Diagnosis	W2 Acute	W2 Chronic
Patent Ductus Arteriosus	Ila	III
Transposition(L) - Corrected(AVD)	Ila	VI
Cor Art - Anom Origin of LAD from Rt	Ila	III
Tetralogy of Fallot	Ila	IV
Cortriatriatum	Ila	V
AVSD/Complete	Ila	IV
Cardiac tumor	IIb	V
Transposition – VSD,PS	IIb	VI
Univentricular Heart	IIb	V
Ebstein’s Anomaly	Ila	VI
Transposition – VSD	IIb	III
Coarctation	Ila	III
DORV	Ila	V
UVH Acute/Chronic	IIb	V



Paediatric General Surgery

Thoracic — Neonatal Conditions

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Congenital airway obstruction	I	IIa
Congenital lung anomalies: - Asymptomatic	IIb	V
- Symptomatic <i>i.e. obstruction</i>	I	IIa
Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH)	I	IIa
Patent Ductal Anomalies (PDA)	I	IIa

Thoracic

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Airway - Foreign body	I	I
Infections – empyemas/ lung abscesses	I	IIa
Chest wall deformities	V	VI
Mediastinal cystic mass: - Asymptomatic	IIb	IV
- Symptomatic	IIa	IIb

Abdominal Wall

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Gastroschisis → <i>see Consolidated Neonatal Table</i>	I	I
Omphalocele → <i>see Consolidated Neonatal Table</i>	I	IIa
Umbilical hernia	IV	VI
Umbilical discharge	IIb	IIb
Inguinal hernia/Hydrocele: < 1 year non-incarcerated	IIa	IIb
> 1 year non-incarcerated	III	V
Both age groups, incarcerated, Non-Reducible	I	I

Colon, Rectum, Anus

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Appendicitis	I	I
Hirschsprung's Disease → <i>see Consolidated Neonatal Table</i>	I	IV
Hirschsprung's Disease: Non-neonatal (<i>exclude diagnosis</i>)	III	IIb
Anorectal malformations with obstruction → <i>see Consolidated Neonatal Table</i>	I	IIa
Anorectal malformations without obstruction → <i>see Consolidated Neonatal Table</i>	IIa	IIb
Perianal abscess/ fistula	IIa	III

Esophagus

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Neonatal congenital esophageal anomalies → <i>see Consolidated Neonatal Table</i>	I	IIa
Foreign bodies	I	I
Reflux with esophageal stricture	IIa	IIb
Reflux without esophageal stricture	II b	III
Achalasia	III	III

Stomach, Duodenum, Small Bowel

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Pyloric stenosis	I	IIa*
Neonatal duodenal obstruction → <i>see Consolidated Neonatal Table</i>	I	IIa
Rotational anomalies: - asymptomatic	IIa	IIb
- symptomatic	I	I
Neonatal distal intestinal obstruction → <i>see Consolidated Neonatal Table</i>	I	IIa
Necrotizing enterocolitis - Neonatal	I	I
Intussusception	I	I
Inflammatory bowel disease: small & large bowel - Acute*	I	IIa
- Subacute*	IIb	III
Gastronectomy/Intubate (J + G)	IIb	IIb

*Within 24–48 h of stabilization of electrolytes.

Solid Tumors

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Probable Malignant	I – IIa *	IIa
Probable Benign - Asymptomatic	IIb	IV
Probable Benign - Symptomatic	IIb	IIb

*Additional considerations: age; life threatening; acute/sub-acute

Neck Mass

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Neck mass - Probable Malignant	I – IIa *	IIa
Neck cysts – Thyroglossal, Brachial Cleft	IV	IV

*Additional considerations: age; life threatening; acute/sub-acute



Paediatric General Surgery (cont'd)

Trauma Care

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Abdominal-thoracic trauma – to be sent to trauma centre	I	I
Burns (check later for validity)	I	IIa

Biliary System: Spleen

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Biliary atresia	IIa	IIa
Choledochal cyst	IIa	IIb
Gallbladder disease – symptomatic: Acute	I	IIa
Gallbladder disease – symptomatic: Chronic	III	III
Splenectomy	III	IV

Genitalia

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Ovarian Torsion/ Adnexal Torsion	I	I
Ovarian Cyst – Newborns:		
> 5 cm or Symptomatic	IIa	IIb
< 5 cm or Asymptomatic	IIb	Observation – No surgery
Ovarian Cyst – Non-newborn:		
> 5 cm or Symptomatic	IIb	III
< 5 cm or Asymptomatic	IV	V
Paraphimosis	I	I
Phimosis:		
- Physiological	VI	n/a
- Pathological	III	IV
Cryptorchidism:		
- Bilateral & Non-Palpable in Newborn	I	VI
- Bilateral & Palpable in Newborn	IV	VI
- Unilateral	V	VI
Acute scrotum:		
- Testicular torsion & Infection	I	I

Consolidated Neonatal Table

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
1. Congenital airway obstruction	I	IIa
2. Congenital lung anomalies – Asymptomatic	IIb	V
3. Congenital lung anomalies – Symptomatic i.e. Obstruction	I	IIa
4. CDH (congenital diaphragmatic hernia)	I	IIa
5. Patent Ductal Anomalies - Neonatal	I	IIa
6. Congenital esophageal anomalies	I	IIa
7. Gastroschisis	I	I
8. Omphalocele	I	IIa
9. Duodenal obstruction	I	IIa
10. Neonatal distal intestinal obstruction	I	IIa
11. Hirschsprung's Disease	I	IV
12. Anorectal malformations with obstruction	I	IIa
13. Anorectal malformations without obstruction	IIa	IIb
14. Ovarian cyst (> 5 cm)	IIa	IIa
15. Ovarian cyst (< 5 cm)	IIb	Observation – No surgery



Paediatric Gynaecology

Adolescent Pregnancies

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Ectopic pregnancies: <i>salpingectomies, salpinogostomies</i>	I	I
D&C for Incomplete Abortion & Missed Abortion: Hemodynamically unstable or Heavy bleeding	I	I
Hemodynamically Stable	IIa	IIa
D&C for Molar Pregnancy	IIa	IIa
D&C for Menorrhagia: Heavy bleeding, unresponsive to medical therapy and hemodynamically unstable	I	I
Hemodynamically stable	IIa	N/A

Gynaecological Congenital Anomalies

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Symptomatic Obstructive Anomalies <i>Imperforate Hymens, Transverse septums, Rudimentary Horns, Cervical Atresia, Obstructed Hemivagina</i>	IIa	IIb
Non-Obstructive or Asymptomatic Obstructive Anomalies <i>Longitudinal Vaginal Septums, Hymenal anomalies</i>	IV	V

Ovaries

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Ovarian Torsion/ Adnexal Torsion	I	I
Ovarian Cyst – Newborns		
> 5 cm or Symptomatic	IIa	IIb
< 5 cm or Asymptomatic	IIb	Observation – No surgery
Ovarian Cyst – Non-newborn		
> 5 cm or Symptomatic	IIb	III
< 5 cm or Asymptomatic	IV	V
Gonadectomies:		
Partial AIS	IIa	IIb
Other	IV	V

Solid Tumors

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Probable Malignant	I – IIa *	IIa
Probable Benign – Asymptomatic	IIb	IV
Probable Benign - Symptomatic	IIb	IIb

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Vulva, Cervix, Vagina

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Marsupialization Bartholin's abscess	I	I
Examination under anesthesia (EUA) or Vaginoscopy for active vaginal bleeding	I	I
EUA or vaginoscopy for infection	IIb	IIb
EUA - Other: <i>non-infectious, non bleeding cause</i>	IV	VI
Vaginoplasties, Feminizing Genitoplasties	IV	V
Labial Revision	IV	V
Vulvar Cysts	IV	V
Cautery of Warts	IIb	V

Genital Trauma

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Straddle Injury	I	I
Genital injuries	I	I
Removal of Foreign Body (Vaginal)	IIa	IIa

Miscellaneous Procedures

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Diagnostic Laparoscopy – Mullerian anomalies	IV	V
Laparoscopy for Chronic Pelvic Pain	IV	IV
Cystoscopy	IV	VI
Insertion of IUD (for menstrual suppression), Non Urgent Removal of IUD	IV	V

Ante-natal Care for Adolescent Pregnancies

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)
First trimester	Age < 16 y – IIa Age > 16 y - IIb
Second trimester	Age < 16 y - IIa Age > 16 y - IIb
Third trimester	IIa



Paediatric Neurosurgery

Developmental Malformations: Spine

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Tethered Spinal Cord	IV	IV
Myelomeningocele	I	IIa
Congenital Anomaly of the Spine	IV	IV

Developmental Malformations: Craniofacial

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Craniosynostosis :		
- Syndromic	III	V
- Sagittal:		
<6 Months	III	IV
>6 Months	III	V
Deformational Plagiocephaly	By 6 months of age	No Surgery OT within 6 weeks

Brain Tumors

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Infratentorial:		
- With pressure	I	IIa
- Without Pressure	IIa	IIb
Supratentorial:		
- With pressure	I	IIa
- Without Pressure	IIb	III
Spinal Cord Tumor:		
- With neurological deficit	I	IIa
- Without neurological deficit	IIb	IV

Cerebro-Spinal Fluid Build-up

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Hydrocephalus:		
- Acute	I	IIa
- Chronic	III	IIb (if surgery required)
Syringohydromyelia (Syrinx)	IV	IV

Trauma

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Spine Injury	I	IIa
Head Injury	I	I

Developmental Malformations: Brain Structures

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Chiari Malformation Type 1	IV	IV
Chiari Malformation Type 2		
- Symptomatic Minor	IV	IV
- Symptomatic Major	IIa	IIa
Encephalocele:		
- Open Encephalocele	I	IIa
- Closed Encephalocele	IV	IV

Intracranial Cyst & Abscess

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Intracranial Cyst:		
- Acute	I	IIa
- Chronic	III	III
Intracranial Abscess	I	I

Developmental Malformations: Vascular

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Arteriovenous malformations:		
- Ruptured Unstable	I	I
- Ruptured Stable	I	III
Stable (present with seizures)	III	IV
Moyamoya	IIa	III

Skull Tumor

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Erosive	IIb	IIb
Asymptomatic/Indolent	IIb	IV

Epilepsy and Spasticity

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Epilepsy (comes from neurologist)	III	IV
Spasticity	V	V



Paediatric Oral Surgery

Trauma

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgical Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Severe Oral/Dental Trauma (tooth loss, luxation, pulp exposure, alveolar fracture, laceration, haemorrhage)	I	I
Mandibular, Maxillary (LeFort I), or Condylar fracture	I	I*
Jaw subluxation	I	I*

* if surgery required

Dental Caries

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgical Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Advanced Dental Caries: visible carious lesions and/or pain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> high risk medical status 1 moderate risk medical status 2 low risk medical status 3 	IIa IIb III	IIa III IV
Dental Caries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> high risk medical status 1 moderate risk medical status 2 low risk medical status 3 	III III IV	IV IV IV

1 Dental condition likely to produce significant health risk for a patient as a consequence of comorbid condition e.g. dental abscess in a child receiving BMT

2 Dental condition may produce health risk as a consequence of comorbid condition e.g. dental abscess in child with repaired VSD

3 Dental condition unlikely to affect general health status

Other

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgical Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Oral Cyst/tumour	IIa	III
Oral tumour	IIa	IIb
Examination Under Anaesthesia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unable to examine Comorbidity plus discomfort producing antisocial behaviour 	IV IIa	V III

Abscess and Related Complications

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Treatment Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Dental Abscess <ul style="list-style-type: none"> high risk medical status 1 moderate risk medical status 2 low risk medical status 3 	I IIa IIb	IIa III III
Split Facial Cellulitis	I	IIa
Ludwig's Angina	I	I
Osteomyelitis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> high risk medical status 1 moderate risk medical status 2 low risk medical status 3 	I I IIa	IIa IIb III
Infected jaw pathosis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> high risk medical status 1 moderate risk medical status 2 low risk medical status 3 	I I IIa	IIa IIb III

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Gingivitis

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgical Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Acute generalized gingivitis	IIa	N/A
Gingival Hyperplasia	V	V

Dental Disorders

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgical Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Pericoronitis (impacted molar) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> high risk medical status 1 moderate risk medical status 2 low risk medical status 3 	IIa IIa IIa	IIa III III
Supernumerary tooth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> with no associated pathosis with associated pathosis 	IV III	V III
Skeletal Dysplasia	III	IV
Alveolar cleft	IIb	III
Oligodontia	III	III
Dental Disorder - Other	III	III

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Paediatric Ophthalmology

Trauma

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Globe laceration	1	I
Cloudy cornea	1	I
Endophthalmitis	I	I
Orbital trauma with vision	I	I
Globe threatened		I
Wound dehiscence	1	I
Orbital floor fracture with muscle entrapment	1	I
Lid laceration	II	IIa
Orbital floor fracture	II	IIa

Infections

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Orbital abscess/orbital cellulites	I	I
Corneal ulcer	I	I

Retina

Diagnosis	Consult Wait time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Retinoblastoma: New Recurrence	II	IIa IIa
Retinal detachment: Macula "On" Macula "Off"	IIa IIa	IIa IIb
Retinopathy of prematurity: Stage IV & V: Any Stage – Zone 1 Stage 2 or 3 – Zone 2 with plus disease	I-II	IIa IIa IIa
Coats disease		IIb

Strabismus/Neuro

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Strabismus: unresolved with treatment by ophthalmologist or optometrist - 2-9 years of age	IV	IV
Chronic strabismus (> 9 years of age, condition present for > 6 months)	III	V
Symptomatic entropion	IIb	IV
Symptomatic ectropion	IIb	IV
Trichiasis	IIb	IV

Anterior segment

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Glaucoma: < 2 years of age 2-9 years of age 9-18 years of age	IIa IIb III	IIa IIb III
Cataract: < 3 months of age 3 months – 2 years of age 2-9 years of age 9-18 years of age	IIa IIa III IV	IIa IIb III IV
Opaque cornea: < 2 years of age	IIa	IIb

Oculoplastics — Orbital Surgery

Diagnosis	Consult Wait time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Ptosis: < 3 years of age 3-9 years of age > 9 years of age	IIb IIb IIb	IIb III IV
Amblyogenic ptosis	II	IIb
Probing with infection	II	IIb
Hemangioma with threatened vision	II	IIb
Amblyogenic chronic chalazion	II	IIb
Dacryocystitis	II-III	IIb
Chronic ptosis (not amblyogenic)		III
DCR with tubes	III	III
Entropion	II	III
Ectropion	II	III
Trichiasis with keratopathy	II	III
Blind painful eye/enucleation	II	III
Orbital dermoid: < 3 years of age if vision threatened or orbital deformity at risk > 3 years of age	II	III IV
Lid lengthening/exposure	IIb	III
Chronic Chalazion	IV	IV
Molluscum Contagiosum	IV	IV
Tearing: > 1 year of age without dacryocystitis	IV	V



Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgery

Disorders of the Hip

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Developmental Dysplasia of hip	IIb	III
Legge Perthes	III	IV
Avascular Necrosis of the Hip	III	IV
Slipped Capital Femoral Epiphysis	I	Stable – IIa Unstable – I
Other elective hip disorder		IV

Disorders of the Arms

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Erb's Palsy (specific to orthopaedic surgery)	IV	V
Sprengel's Deformity	V	V
Madelung's deformity	V	V
Radioulnar Synostosis	V	V
Shoulder instability	V	V
Panner's Disease	V	V
Other elective upper limb disorder		V

Disorders of the Feet

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Clubfeet:		
< 1 year	IIb	IV
> 1 year	V	V
Vertical Talus:		
< 1 year	IIb	IV
> 1 year	V	V
Metatarsus Adductus	IV	V
Hallux Valgus	V	V
Tarsal Coalition	V	V
Accessory Navicular	V	V
Toe walking		V
Other elective foot disorder		V

Disorders of the Spine

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Congenital anomalies of the spine	IV	Stable – V Unstable - IV
Scoliosis: (starting with a curve of more than 20 degrees)– have to look at rate of progression of the problem (stable vs. unstable)	IV	Stable – V Unstable – IV
Kyphosis (more difficult to make the stable vs. unstable decision)	IV	Stable – V Unstable – IV
Spondylolysis	IV	V
Spondylolisthesis	IV	Stable - V Unstable – IV
Spinal dysraphism/syrinx		IV
Other elective spinal disorder		V
Spinal Injuries affecting the spinal cord	I	IIa
Spinal Injuries not affecting the spinal cord	I	IIa

Other Disorders of the Legs

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Pre-natal counseling (for all areas, not just lower ext)	IIb	n/a
Genu Varum (bow legs) >3yrs old	IV	V
Genu Valgum (knock knees) >10 yrs old	IV	V
Blount's disease	IV	V
Rickets	IV	V
Osteochondritis Dissecans	IV	IV
Patellar Subluxation (recurrent/chronic)	VI	V
Popliteal Cysts	IV	VI
Proximal Femoral Focal Deficiency	IIb	V
Fibular Hemimelia	IIb	V
Congenital Constriction Band Syndrome	IIb	V
Duplication	IIb	V
ACL Tears	IV	IV
Leg length discrepancy	IV	IV
Discoic lateral meniscus		V
Tibial hemimelia		V
Congenital pseudarthrosis of tibia		IV
Congenital dislocation of knee		IV
Other elective lower limb disorder		V



Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgery (cont'd)

Minor Variants of Normal

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Minor variants of normal orthopaedic development (flexible flat feet, in-toeing, out-toeing, bow legs in children < 3yrs of age, knock knees in children < 10yrs of age, lordosis, minor scoliosis curves – less than 20 degree curve)	V	VI

Bone and Joint Infections

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Septic Arthritis	I	I
Transient Synovitis	IIa	n/a
Osteomyelitis	I	Acute – I Sub-acute – IIa Chronic – III
Other infections (necrotizing fasciitis; pyomyositis; fracture)		IIa
Other types of arthritis		III

Skeletal Dysplasias

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Cerebral Palsy	IV	IV
Spina Bifida	IV	IV
Muscular Dystrophy	IV	IV
Dysplasias	IV	IV

Musculoskeletal Tumors

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Malignant/Aggressive	IIa	IIb
Biopsy of Tumor	IIa	IIa
Benign	IV	IV

Fractures and Injuries

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Compound - Open / Neurovascular	I	I
Displaced	I	IIa
Displaced (e.g. Supracondylar)	I	I
Undisplaced	IIa	n/a
Acute Dislocation:		
- Reduced	IIa	IIa
- Unreduced	I	I
Fracture - Nonunion		III
Fracture - Malunion		V
Compartment syndrome		I
Meniscal Injuries		
- Acute	IIa	IIb
- Chronic	IV	IV
Laceration (tendon/ligament/nerve/vessel/joint)		I
Chronic ligament (ACL) tendon or nerve injury		IV
Other acute orthopaedic condition		IIa

Other

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Removal of hardware	V	V
Torticollis	IV	IV
Revision of hardware		III
Wound infection/dehiscence		I
Wound care – delayed primary or secondary closure		IIa
Growth arrest (any cause)		IV
Neuromuscular disease – diagnostic biopsy		III
Other elective orthopaedic disorder		V



Paediatric Otolaryngology

Disorders of the Airway

Diagnosis	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Acute Upper Airway compromise	I
Choanal atresia: - bilateral	IIa
- unilateral	VI
Web of larynx (non-obstructed)	VI
Laryngomalacia	IIb
Removal of tonsils & adenoids: - With obstructive sleep apnoea (OSA)	IV
- With recurrent infection	V
Peritonsillar abscess	I
Retropharyngeal & parapharyngeal abscess	I
Ingested: foreign body	I
Papilloma of larynx: - with acute airway obstruction	I
- without significant airway obstruction	III
Laryngeal stenosis without significant airway issues	III
Laryngeal stenosis with significant airway issues	IIa

Otologic Surgery

Diagnosis	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Auricular abscess/ hematoma	I
Stenosis of the ear canal	VI
Acute Mastoiditis	IIa
Cholesteatoma	IV
Perforation of tympanic membrane	VI
Reconstructive middle ear surgery	VI
Myringotomy & tube for Otitis Media with effusion	III
Cochlear implant	IV
Facial paralysis	I
Otologic foreign body	IIa
Otoplasty	VI
Preauricular sinus (infected)	III
Preauricular sinus (not infected)	VI
Other congenital ear deformities (major)	VI
Other congenital ear deformities (minor)	VI

Symptoms	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)
1. Speech delay	IV
2. Nasal obstruction	IV
3. Neck mass - No suspicion of Cancer	III
4. Recurrent tonsillitis	IV
5. Chronic mouth breather (orthodontic referral)	V
6. Hoarseness- progressive - stable/ variable	IIb IV
7. Stridor	IIa
8. Recurrent otitis media - Severe - Other	IIa IV
9. Hearing loss	IV
10. Nasal Fracture	IIa
11. Severe Otalgia	IIa
12. Chronic cough	IV
13. Discharging ear	IIb
14. Epistaxis - Acute - Recurrent	I III
15. Chronic Nasal discharge - Bloody - Non bloody	IIb IV
16. Foreign Body Ear/ nose	IIa
17. Tongue Tie	VI

Disorders of the Head and Neck

Diagnosis	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Mycobacterial infection: - if skin compromised - otherwise	IIb III
Suspected Malignant neoplasm: - Diagnosis - Treatment	IIa IIb
Lymphatic malformation: - with compromise - without compromise	IIa VI

Neck Mass

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Neck mass - Probable Malignant	I – IIa *	IIa
Neck cysts – Thyroglossal, Brachial Cleft	IV	IV

*Additional considerations: age/ life threatening/acute/sub-acute

Sino-Nasal Disorders

Diagnosis	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Sinusitis with complications	I
Nasal Polyp	IV
Deviated nasal septum	V
Nasal fracture	IIa
Chronic sinusitis	IV
Acute epistaxis	I
Recurrent Epistaxis	III
Nasal dermoid	IV
Septal hematoma or abscess	I
Nasal foreign body	IIa
Rhinoplasty	VI
Sino-nasal mass (malignant)	IIa
Sino-nasal mass (benign)	III

Salivary Glands Disorder

Diagnosis	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Sialorrhea control	VI
Sialolithiasis	VI
Mucocele of salivary gland	IV



Paediatric Plastic Surgery

Clefts

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Lip - Prenatal diagnosis	IIa	V (Repair < 6 months)
Palate - Prenatal diagnosis	IIa	VI (Repair < 18 months)
All other cases: - Cleft orthognathic surgery, Cleft septorhinoplasty, Cleft lip/nose revisionary surgery	V	VI
Speech Delay - Velopharyngeal insufficiency, tongue tie, macroglossia	IV	IV
Alveolar bone grafts	V	VI (Surgery to be completed prior to eruption of canine)

Craniofacial

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Craniosynostosis: - Syndromic	IIb	V
- Sagittal < 6 Months	III	IV
- Sagittal > 6 Months	III	V
Plagiocephaly	IV	No surgery OT < 6 weeks
Vascular anomalies: - Rapidly Growing Head & Neck Hemangiomas - Hemangiomas in other locations, undifferentiated	IIb IV	IIb IV
Orthognathic procedures	IV	V
Airway issues: - Pierre Robin	I	IIa (if tracheotomy or distraction required)
- Treacher Collins, Micrognathia	I	IIb

Ear

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Microtia	IV	VI
Other congenital ear deformities: - Major - Minor	IV V	VI VI

Solid Tumors

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Malignant/Aggressive	IIa	III
Biopsy of Tumor	IIa	IIa
Benign	IV	IV

Burns

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Acute: - Admitted patients - Ambulatory patients	I IIa	IIa IIb
Secondary reconstruction : - Functional concerns - Social concerns	IV IV	V VI

Congenital Hand and Upper Extremity

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Brachial plexus palsy	III	IV
All other Congenital Hands & Upper Extremity	IV	V

Soft Tissue and Skin Conditions

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Malignant skin neoplasms*	IIb	III
Benign lesions	VI	VI
Scars: New: < 3 months Old: > 3 months	III VI	n/a - Adjuvant care: OT < 6 weeks n/a - Adjuvant care: OT < 18 months

*Suspected malignancy: diagnosed/referred by dermatologist or biopsy-proven pathology

Trauma

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Soft tissue	I	I
Hand fractures	IIa	IIa
Facial fractures	IIa	IIa
Extremity defects (complicated with wound problem)	IIa	IIa
Orbital Fractures	I	IIa
Nerve Injuries: - Open - Closed	IIa IIb	IIa V

Miscellaneous

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Microsurgical reconstruction: - Acute - Secondary	IIa IV	IIa V
Male & female breast deformity	IV	VI
Scar revision		VI



Paediatric Urology

Urinary Incontinence

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Neurogenic bladder: - Acute	IIa	Vesicostomy (drainage) – IIa Reconstruction - III Augmentation - III Ureteral re-implantation – IIb
- Chronic	IIb	III
Dysfunctional elimination	IV	n/a
Nocturnal enuresis	V	n/a
Anatomical (exstrophy/epispadias): - Acute	I	IIa
- Chronic	III	IV
Ectopic Ureter	IV	III V: in case of infant

Genital Anomalies

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Cryptorchidism: - Bilateral & non-palpable in newborn	I	VI
- Bilateral & palpable in newborn	IV	VI
- Unilateral	V	VI
Hypospadias	III	VI (surgery needs to be done < 12 months)
Epispadias	III	VI (surgery needs to be done < 12 months of age)
Phimosis: Physiological	VI	n/a
Pathological	III	IV
Paraphimosis	I	I
Ambiguous genitalia	I	VI
Micropenis	IV	V
Acute Scrotum - Testicular Torsion and Infection	I	I
Urogenital Sinus Anomalies	IIa	VI

Solid Tumors

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Probable Malignant	I – IIa *	IIa
Probable Benign - Asymptomatic	IIb	IV
Probable Benign – Symptomatic	IIb	IIb

*Additional considerations: age; life threatening; acute/ sub-acute

Renal/Bladder Anomalies

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Antenatal hydronephrosis	IIb	IIb (in case of obstruction)
UPJ /UVJ obstruction: - Acute	IIa	IIb
- Chronic Symptomatic	IIb	
- Chronic Asymptomatic	III	
Ureterocoele: - Acute	I	I (if no response to antibiotics after 48 h) IIb (if response to antibiotics after 48 h)
- Chronic	III	III
Posterior urethral valves	I	IIa
Fusion anomalies / solitary kidney	IV	n/a (If obstruction, see UPJ above - IIb)
Multi-cystic dysplastic kidneys	IV	VI (Surgical Treatment: Rare)
Acute Urinary Retention	I	I

Urinary Tract Infection

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Vesicoureteric reflux	IV	IV
Balanoposthitis	I	III
Recurrent cystitis	IV	n/a
Pylonephritis	IIb	n/a
UTI: - Simple	IIb	IV (If obstruction, see UPJ - previous table)
- Complicated (renal abscess)	I	IIa

Urinary Tract Calculi

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Renal / ureteric stones: - Septic	I	I
- Obstructed	I	IIa (if uncontrolled pain), otherwise IIb
- Asymptomatic	III	III
Bladder stones	III	III



Paediatric Urology (cont'd)

Genitourinary Trauma

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Renal/Bladder/Ureteric/Urethra	I	I
Circumcision injuries	I	I

Inguinal Pathology (non-malignant)

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Hernia / Hydrocoele:		
< 1 year of age non-incarcerated	IIa	IIb
> 1 year of age non-incarcerated	III	V
- Both age groups, incarcerated non-reducible	I	I
Varicocoele	V	VI

Miscellaneous

Diagnosis	Consult Wait Time Priority Level (W1)	Surgery Wait Time Priority Level (W2)
Gross, painless hematuria	IIb	n/a
Microscopic hematuria	IV	n/a
Peritoneal dialysis:		
- Acute	I	I
- Chronic	IIb	III
Renal Transplant - Cadaveric	I	I
Renal Transplant - Living related donor	III	IV
Renal vascular hypertension	IIb	IIb

