Please take a few minutes to read this information sheet before attending the Wilkinson Day Unit at Amersham Hospital.

This is a service that offers dermatological treatments and education for patients (and their carers) in a Day case setting. It is available for those patients who do not require an overnight stay in hospital and cannot have their treatment carried out at home.

The Wilkinson Day Unit is a nurse led unit and is supported by the Dermatology Consultants and doctors.

**Appointments**

We operate on an appointment basis only **Monday to Friday, 8am – 6pm**.

Appointment times will be allocated depending on the length of individual treatments. If you are unable to attend a pre-booked appointment please telephone the Day Unit to reschedule.

**Facilities On The Unit**

Patients who are required to be in the unit for an extended period that incorporates lunchtime will be offered a sandwich. Tea and coffee will also be available. However patients are not permitted to enter the kitchen area, so please ask a member of staff if you require a beverage.

A day room with a colour television is available for patients use.

**What to bring**

All patients should bring in any medication they may be due to take during the time they spend in the unit. Any patient taking a bath/shower will be provided with towels and pyjamas/night dresses will be provided during treatments.
How can I help reduce healthcare associated infections?

Infection control is important to the well-being of our patients and for that reason we have infection control procedures in place. Keeping your hands clean is an effective way of preventing the spread of infections. We ask that you, and anyone visiting you, use the hand sanitiser available at the main entrance of the hospital and at the entrance to every clinical area before coming in to and after leaving the clinical area or hospital. In some situations hands may need to be washed at the sink using soap and water rather than using the hand sanitiser. Staff will let you know if this is the case.

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