

Cardiology Clinic

Please allow up to 2-3 hours (occasionally longer) for your appointment and bring food, drink and nappies as required.

During your visit to the Cardiology Clinic, the doctor may decide that your child should have a test carried out on the same day. The tests might include:

- An Electrocardiogram (ECG) - Electrical tracing of the heart
- An Echocardiography (Echo) - Ultrasound scan of the heart

Both these tests are simple and painless. Once the test has been carried out you will be asked to have a seat in the waiting area until the doctor is available to see you and discuss the results with you.

If your child has been referred to the clinic because of a murmur (a whooshing noise heard with the stethoscope), the doctor will listen with a stethoscope. If the murmur is innocent and part of the normal noises of a healthy heart no tests are necessary.

If your child has been referred because of chest pain, almost certainly this will have nothing to do with the heart and if any investigation is required, it will generally only be an electrocardiogram (ECG).

We thank you in advance for your patience.

