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**Referral of stable medical cases from Specialist Medicine Clinic to Family Medicine Clinic**

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**Introduction**

**Objectives**

Referring the stable Medical patients from specialist Medical clinic to Family Medicine clinic

**Methodology**

The feasibility of booking appointments for stable patients in specialist Medical clinic to Family Medicine clinic was studied. Commencing on 1st February 2012, Specialty Out-patient Clinic could arrange a quota of 30 patients per week for this arrangement.

**Result**

The arrangement ensures that stable Medical patients can have appropriate follow-up arrangement with continuity of care in Family Medicine Clinic. On one hand, the diabetes control of these patients is optimized. On the other hand, the program can relieve the specialist Medical clinic. We monitored the monthly statistics on the referrals. Up to November 2012, 515 cases were referred from OLMH specialist medicine clinic to family medicine clinic, the average waiting time from 56.17 weeks decreased to 44.36 weeks in general medical specialist clinic.