

North Zone – Referral Instructions



As part of the Alberta Surgical Initiative, a central access and intake system called Facilitated Access to Specialized Treatment (FAST) is available in the North Zone for:

- Orthopedics & Spine (excluding urgent & oncology). Pediatric referrals will be forwarded to Edmonton Zone central intake where applicable.
- Urology (excluding oncology & pediatrics). **Note:** Referrals may be re-routed to other Zones. Patients should be prepared to travel to another Zone for their specialist appointment.
- Vascular surgery. **Note:** Referrals may be re-routed to other Zones. Patients should be prepared to travel to another Zone for their specialist appointment.
- General Surgery. **Note:** Referrals may be re-routed to other Zones. Patients should be prepared to travel to another Zone for their specialist appointment.

Referral Instructions:

1. View the referral form:
 - [Orthopedics & Spine](#)
 - [Vascular](#)
 - [Urology](#)
 - [General Surgery](#)
2. Review the reasons for referral and include any mandatory information from the referral pathway.
3. Fax completed referral to North Zone FAST at **1-833-627-7025**.
 - You can also submit referrals through:
 - Alberta Netcare eReferral: Follow these [instructions](#).
 - Connect Care: Using the [Outgoing Referral process](#).

Visit [Alberta's Pathway Hub](#) to access the current pathway library.

What happens after FAST receives the referral?

- FAST will enter your referral into Alberta Netcare eReferral and it will be viewable on the patient's record in the [Clinical Document Viewer \(CDV\) Tree](#).
- Each referral is checked for completeness and sent to the requested surgeon/clinic/site or the next available surgeon.

Contact North Zone FAST:

Monday – Friday; 7:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Phone: 1-833-553-3278 Ext. 1 (*For referring providers only*)

Fax: 1-833-627-7025

Email: ABFAST.North@ahs.ca

Feedback about FAST?

Email ABFAST@ahs.ca