

## Access to Penicillin Allergy Advice through eConsult

eConsult is a secure web-based tool that allows physicians, nurse practitioners and midwives timely access to specialist advice and often eliminates the need for an in-person specialist visit.

The **Ontario eConsult Service**, **accessed on the <u>OTNhub.ca</u>**, offers easy and timely access to specialist advice, including questions related to Penicillin Allergy.

The Penicillin Allergy Provincial BASE™ eConsult Group is **now available** on the <u>OTNhub</u>:



This group provides current evidence, guidance and recommendations for penicillin allergy labelling in patients with suspected and/or confirmed allergies. This knowledge has evolved drastically over the past 10 years.



## What types of Penicillin Allergy questions are best suited for eConsult?

- IgE mediated symptoms within 14 days of starting penicillin. For example, a person developing a rash within a few days of use of amoxicillin
- · Previous positive testing to penicillin greater than five years ago
- How to approach a patient with positive testing conducted outside of Canada without any history of use of these antibiotics

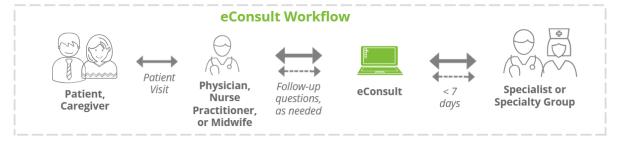


## What to include in the eConsult?

To facilitate a thorough and timely consultation, please provide the following information:

- A clear question
- Past medical history
- Allergies and reaction history, if relevant
  - o Details of the reaction of concern the patient had, including timing and symptoms
  - What penicillin antibiotic they received
- Medications

For additional guidance, please refer to Pathways to Appropriate Penicillin Allergy (de)Labelling.





"This service was fast, efficient and easy to use. The eConsult service is an easy way to quickly connect with area specialists and can often avoid lengthy referrals."
- eConsult user and Primary Care Clinician



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- To sign up for eConsult, visit <u>www.otnhub.ca</u> or complete our <u>Intake Form</u> and a member from our team will assist you.