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## Media Release

### Fracture Clinic patients advised of RUH road closure

Patients and visitors using the Fracture and Orthopaedic Clinic at the RUH are being advised to allow extra time to arrive for appointments from Monday 2 October.

Essential building work is starting on a new extension to the nearby Radiology Department to house two new CT and MRI scanners.

This means that the access road to the Fracture and Orthopaedic Clinic will be closed to pedestrians and vehicles from Monday 2 October and will stay closed until January 2018.

It may need to be closed or disrupted again until the new RNHRD and Therapies Centre building is complete in summer 2019.

During the road closure, alternative access arrangements will be made for patients inside the hospital and direction signs erected to show the way.

Patients with difficulty walking from the main entrance to the clinic can ask for assistance at the main reception desk, where porters and wheelchairs have been arranged.

### Ends

#### Notes to Editor:

- The Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust provides acute treatment and care for a catchment population of around 500,000 people in Bath, and the surrounding towns and villages in North East Somerset and Western Wiltshire. The hospital provides healthcare to the population served by four Clinical Commissioning Groups: Bath & North East Somerset CCG, Wiltshire CCG, Somerset CCG and South Gloucestershire CCG.
- The Trust provides 565 beds and a comprehensive range of acute services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.



- In 2015 The Royal United Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust was acquired the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases (RNHRD) NHS Foundation Trust. The RNHRD treats patients from across the country offering services in rheumatology, chronic pain and chronic fatigue syndrome/ME.
- The RUH is changing - we have an exciting programme of redevelopment underway transforming our site and further improving the services we provide. The Trust is now working towards building a purpose built RNHRD and Therapies Centre and a new Dyson Cancer Centre. For more details visit: [www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/fit\\_for\\_the\\_future](http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/fit_for_the_future)
- For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: [www.ruh.nhs.uk](http://www.ruh.nhs.uk)

