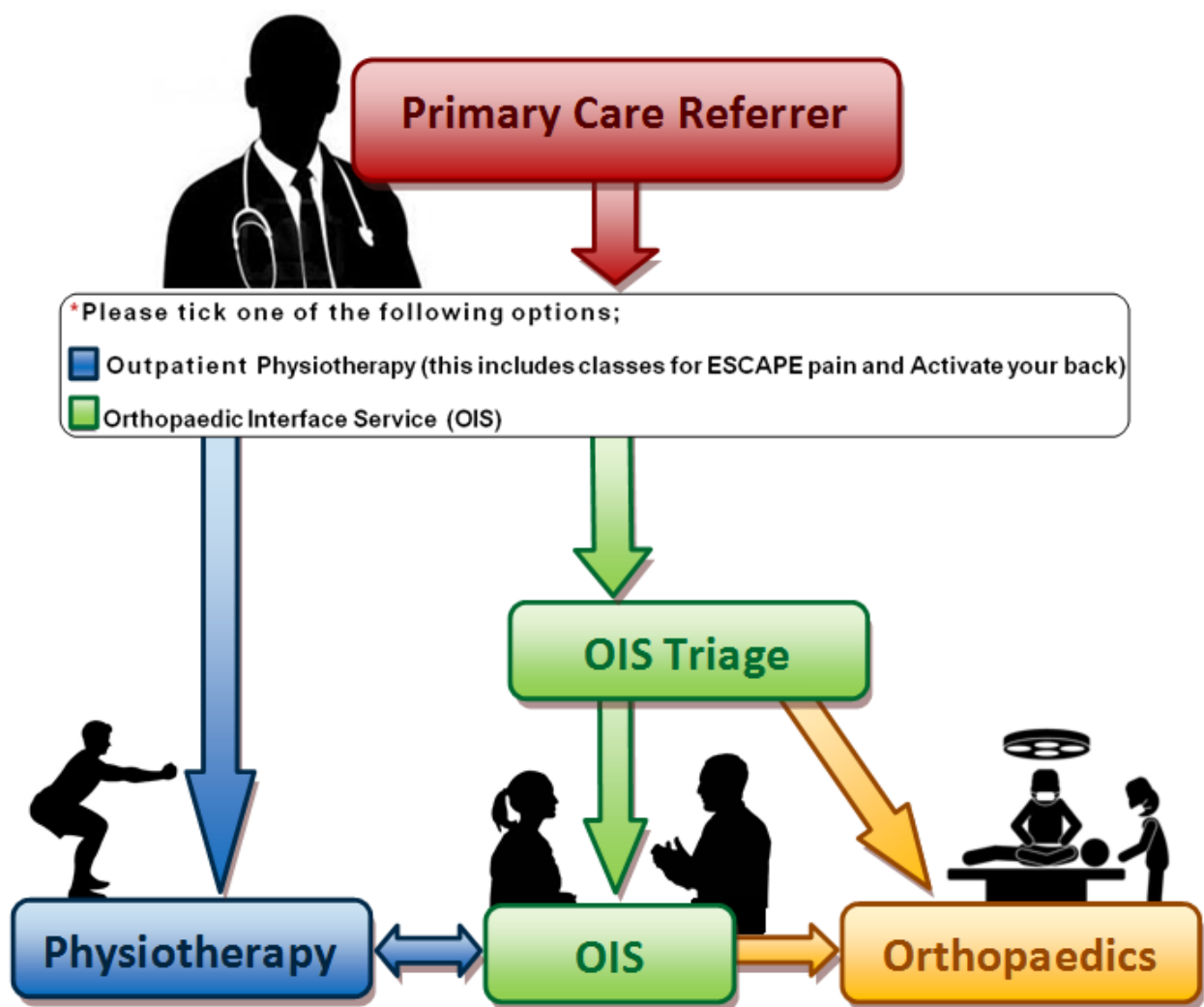


# THE ORTHOPAEDIC INTERFACE SERVICE

THE ROLE OF OIS IN THE MSK PATHWAY

## THE MSK PATHWAY



## WHERE DOES MY REFERRAL GO?

If you tick the **Outpatient Physiotherapy** box, your referral will go via SystemOne (or email if your practice does not use SystemOne) to the physiotherapy service. The physiotherapists can refer on to OIS where indicated.

If you tick the **OIS** box, your referral will go via ERS and be triaged by a MSK specialist practitioner to Orthopaedics or to OIS, depending on whether the patient can be managed conservatively, whether they are likely to benefit from surgery and whether a diagnostic work up might be helpful prior to a secondary care appointment. If the patient might benefit more from podiatry or physiotherapy, the referral will be re-directed.



## WHAT IS THE OIS?



The Orthopaedic Interface Service clinicians have a specialist knowledge of MSK conditions. They can provide **specialist advice and assessment**, order **investigations** and administer **peripheral joint injections**. They link closely with other MSK services for **onward referral** as required.

## WHY HAVE THE OIS?

The OIS aim to facilitate referral to the **right place first time** for diagnostics and treatment of MSK conditions and to **reduce the overall cost** of provision of care across the MSK pathway. Patients do not have to wait for a secondary care appointment to have **specialist assessment, investigations, injections and advice**. This frees up secondary care appointments so that **those who need surgery can have faster access to a consultant**.



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