

THE WHEELCHAIR REFERRER ADVANCED PROGRAMME

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Summary:

The Wheelchair Referrer Advanced Programme (WRAP) was launched in December 2015 with the aim of identifying and authorising wheelchair referrers to request, prescribe and fit appropriate wheelchairs and accessories directly, without requiring assessment by the Posture & Mobility Service (PMS). Attendees were given Level 2 referrer accreditation.

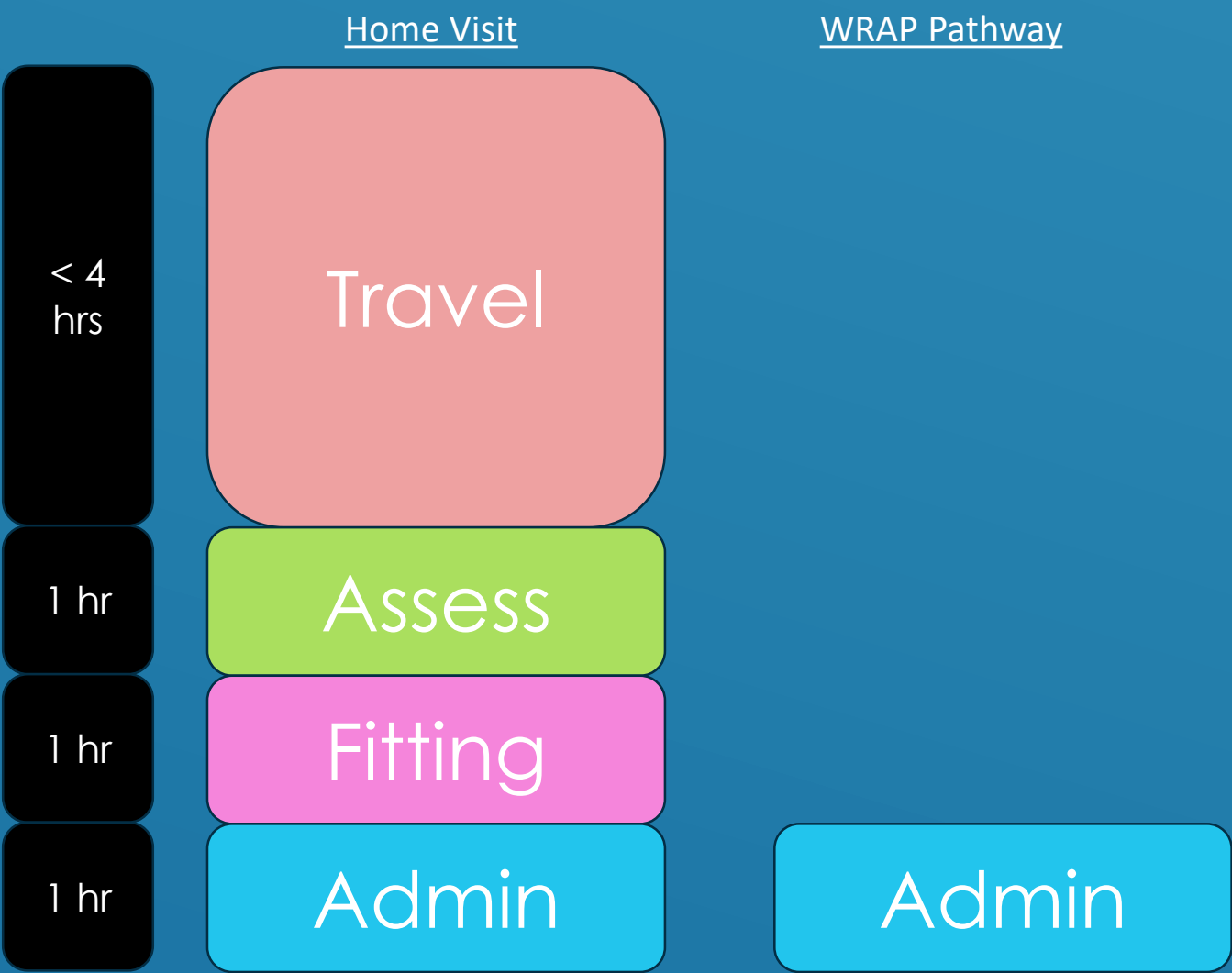
Course Outline:

| Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">Theory: Normal Posture, Biomechanics, building a stable posture.Practical: Postural Ax, normal ROM, Bony landmarks, measurementTheory & workshop: Critical Measures, Common postural deviations.Annotation & Record Keeping. Introduction of Assessment form.Practical: Postural Analysis | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Theory: Considerations for equipment selection: PostureTheory: Considerations for equipment selection: Function & stability.Theory & workshop: CushionsOptional depot tour | <ul style="list-style-type: none">ALAS processes & when to refer to ALACIntroduction to Action 2Ng & Action 3Ng (Invacare)Practical: Action 3Ng adjustmentIntroduction to Rea Azalea (Invacare)Practical: Rea Azalea adjustment <p>- Resources provided by Invacare.</p> <p>- Competency assessed through case studies</p> |

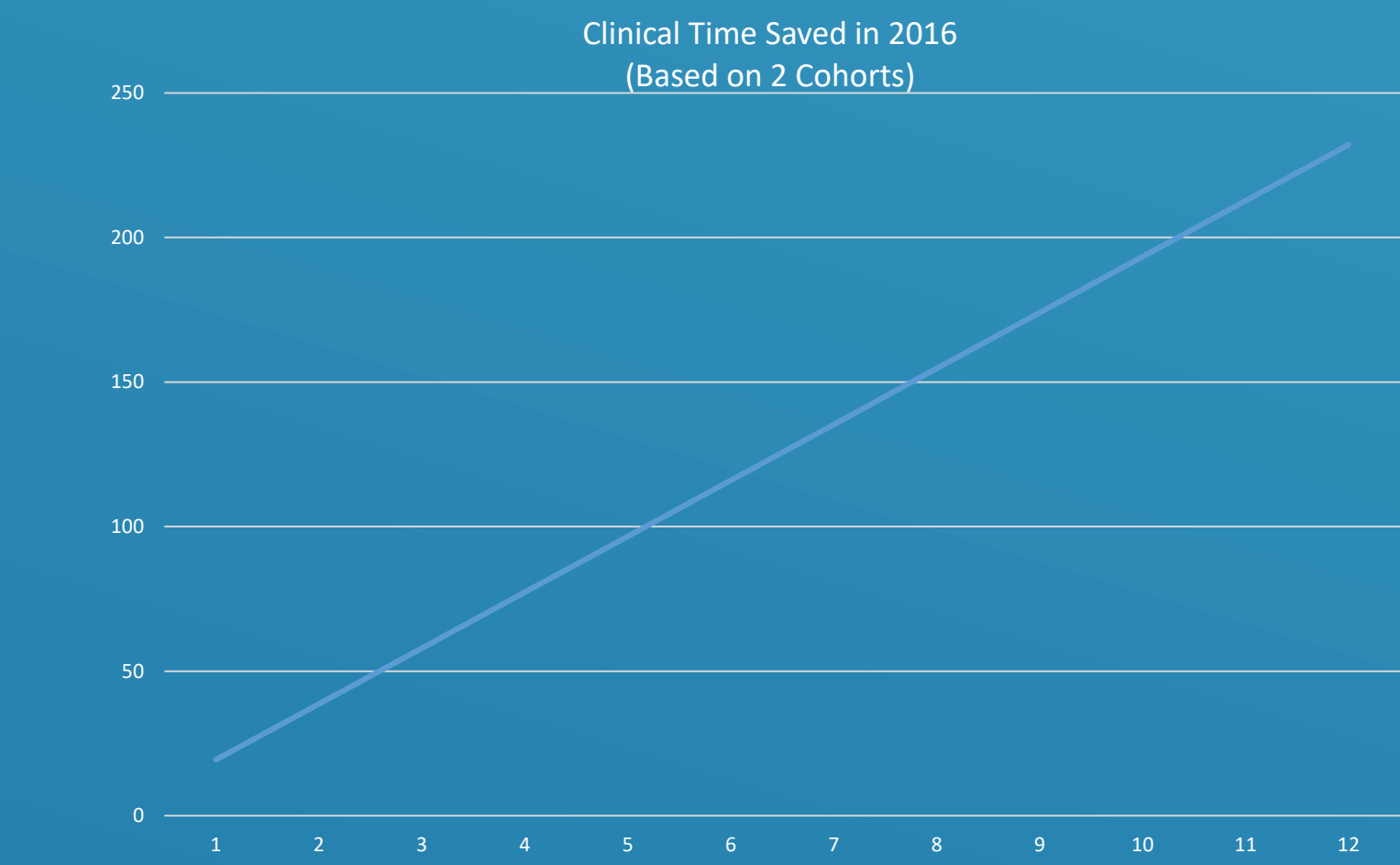
Impact on PMS:

1. Time efficiency

Comparison of time taken by clinical team to complete complex postural referrals

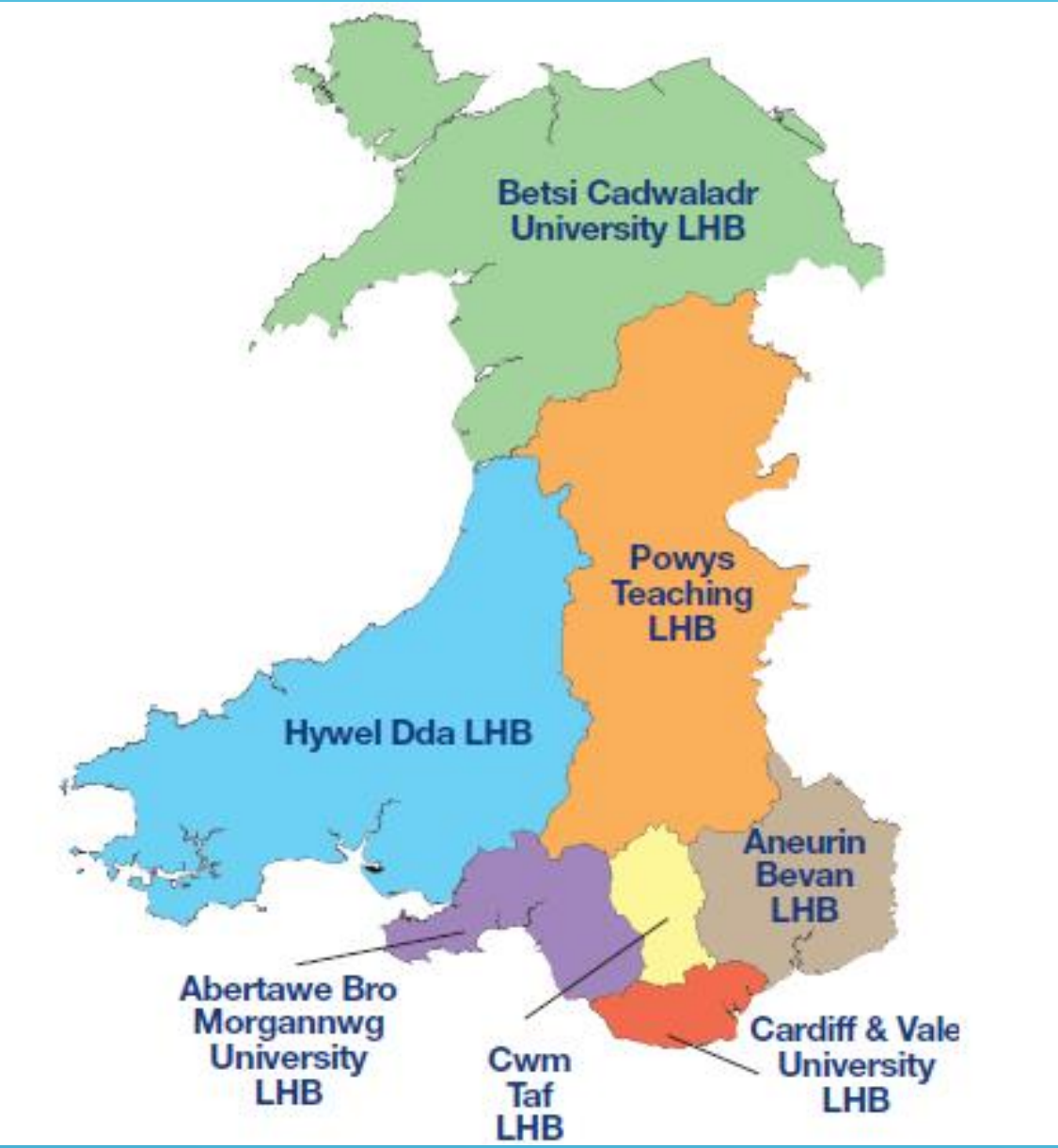


2. Cost effectiveness:



***81% of referrals made in 2016 by level 2 referrers resulted in direct order of equipment.**

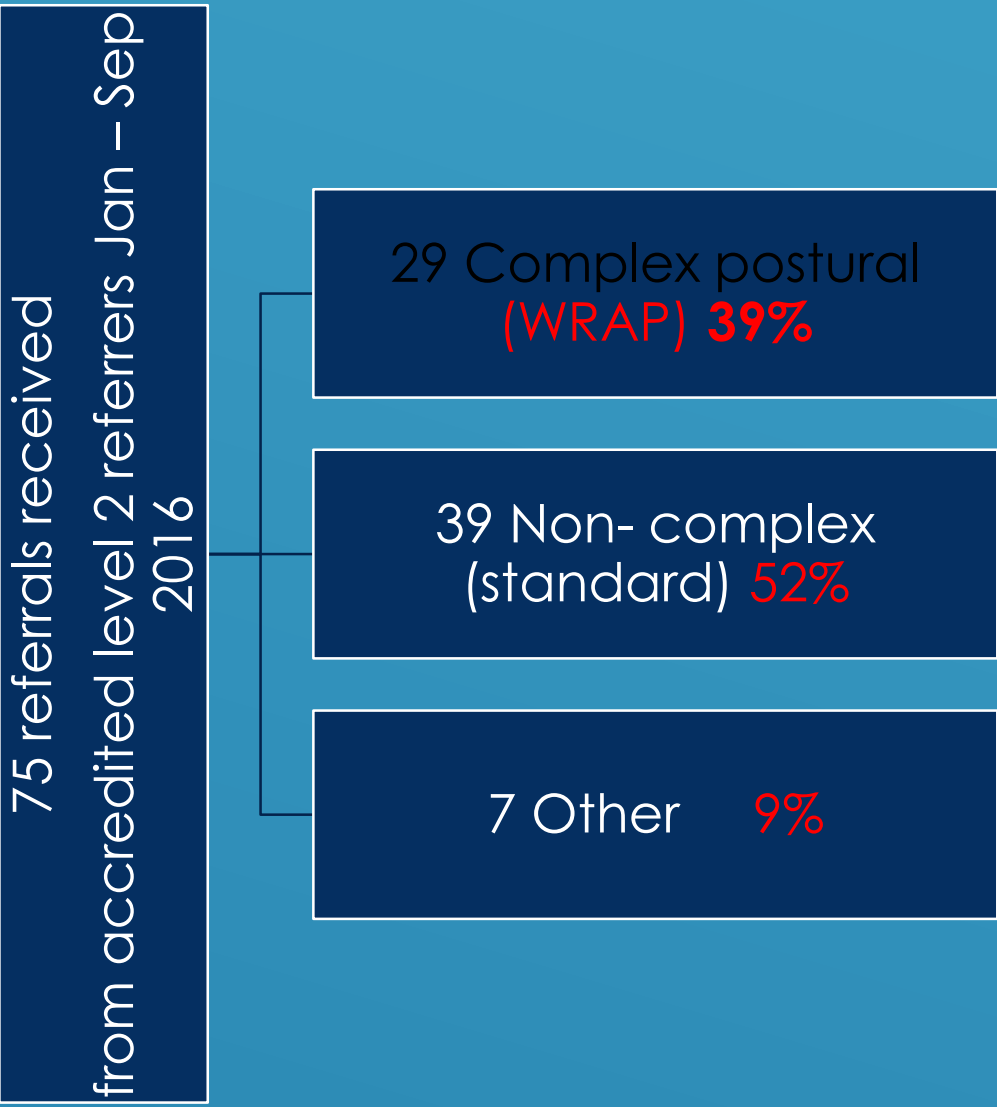
Where level 2 referrers are based:



Two places were offered to each LHB the South Wales PMS serves. (*Excluding Betsi Cadwaladr University LHB, North Wales PMS).

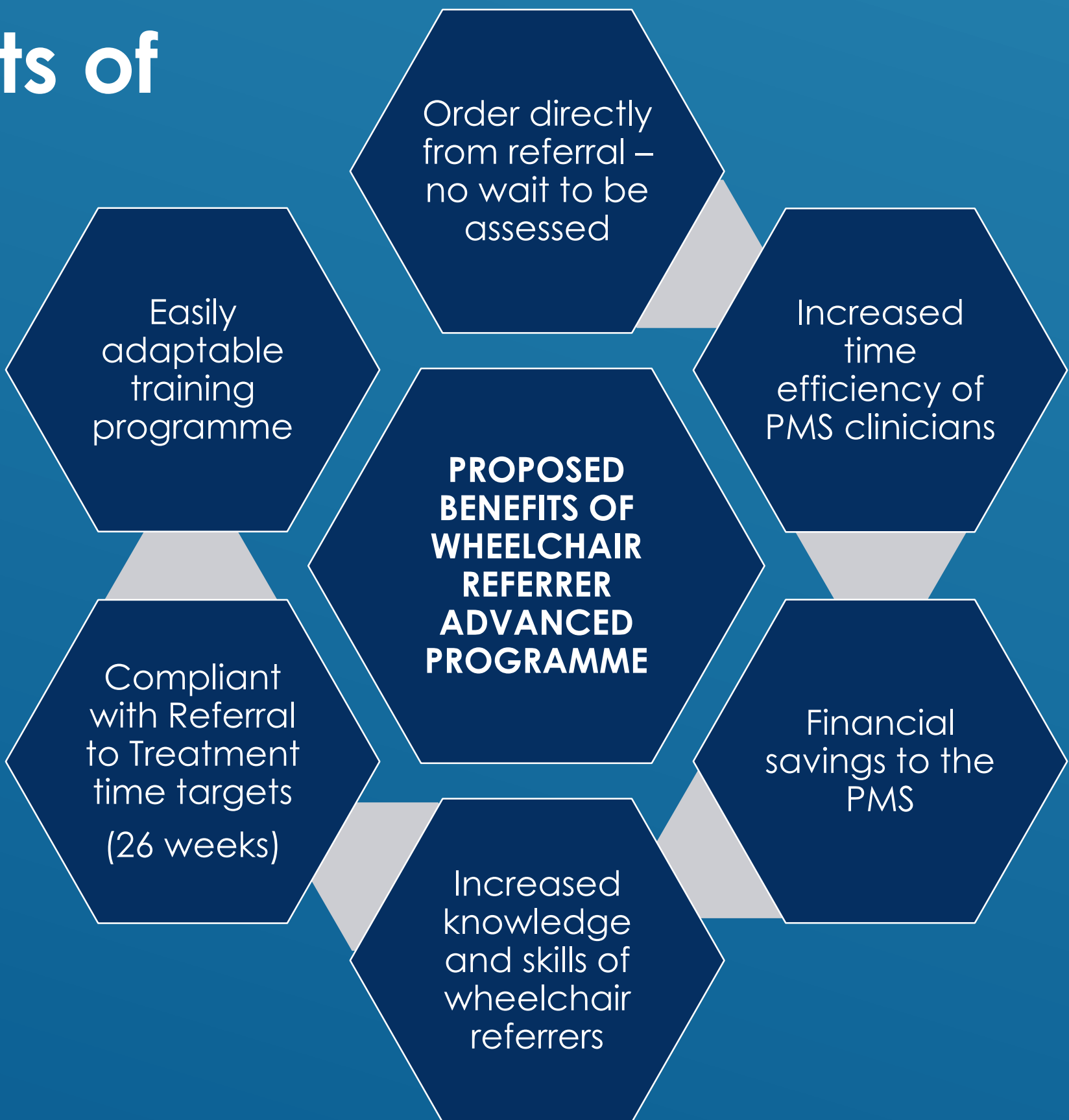
All referrers have static postworking within stroke rehabilitation.

Pathway:



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Proposed benefits of training:



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