

# News Release

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## Hearing aid clinic service improves

Patients who attend Dorset County Hospital's hearing aid clinics are set to benefit from an improved service.

The audiology department has been running drop-in clinics at DCH and the surrounding community hospitals – but the high demand has led to long waits for patients attending for repairs and adjustments to their hearing aids.

From 5 September 2011, the clinics at Dorchester, Weymouth, Bridport, Sherborne and Blandford will be run through booked appointments only, so people can attend at a set time rather than face a long and unpredictable wait to be seen.

Anyone wishing to book an appointment from September should call 01305 255563 no more than a week ahead of the clinic.

The clinic locations will remain the same, as below:

- Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester
- Weymouth Community Hospital
- Bridport Community Hospital
- Yeatman (Sherborne) Community Hospital
- Blandford Community Hospital

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