

Case Study

Vantage Teledermatology

Vantage Teledermatology (VTD) is part of the Rego suite and provides GPs with rapid access to consultant dermatologist triage and advice.

The service enables primary care clinicians to capture images of routine dermatological conditions using high quality digital imaging equipment. These images along with a referral letter are sent electronically to a dermatology team via our secure cloud-based system. Within 3 working days, the referring GP receives a management plan recommending the most appropriate course of treatment based on local resources.

Working with hundreds of GP practices and several Hospital Trusts, VTD is widely implemented across the NHS. The clinical and financial benefits of our service have been outlined in a PwC independent report and showcased in a published QIPP paper.

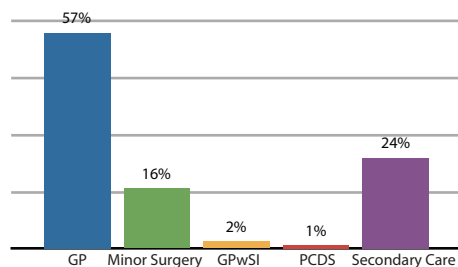
How does VTD help to improve care?

The advice provided by consultant dermatologists ensures around 70% of patients avoid a hospital visit and may be treated in the community, closer to home. Where secondary care appointments are recommended, patients are triaged to the appropriate service, with the aim of reducing onward referrals. Full management plans are received within 3 working days, a process that facilitates prompt treatment, reduces anxiety and enhances the patient experience. Recording high levels of clinician satisfaction, the rapid access to specialist opinion empowers GPs and provides an ongoing education framework.

Are there efficiency savings from using VTD?

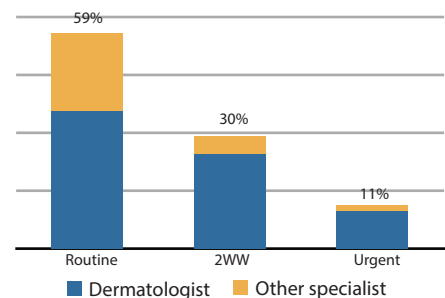
Significant recurrent savings may be achieved if the patients referred would otherwise have used the traditional referral pathway. Vantage Analytics allows all stakeholders online access to real-time data including usage, clinical outcomes (ICD-10 coding), triage recommendations, GP feedback and projected savings. This tool enhances the ability to monitor the performance of service providers and helps identify areas where local resources may be optimised.

Recommended Outcomes



Over 70% cases triaged to primary care

Secondary Care Triage



Of cases recommended for secondary care appt:

- 41% fast-racked to 2WW or urgent referral
- 28% referred to specialist other than a dermatologist

Satisfaction

