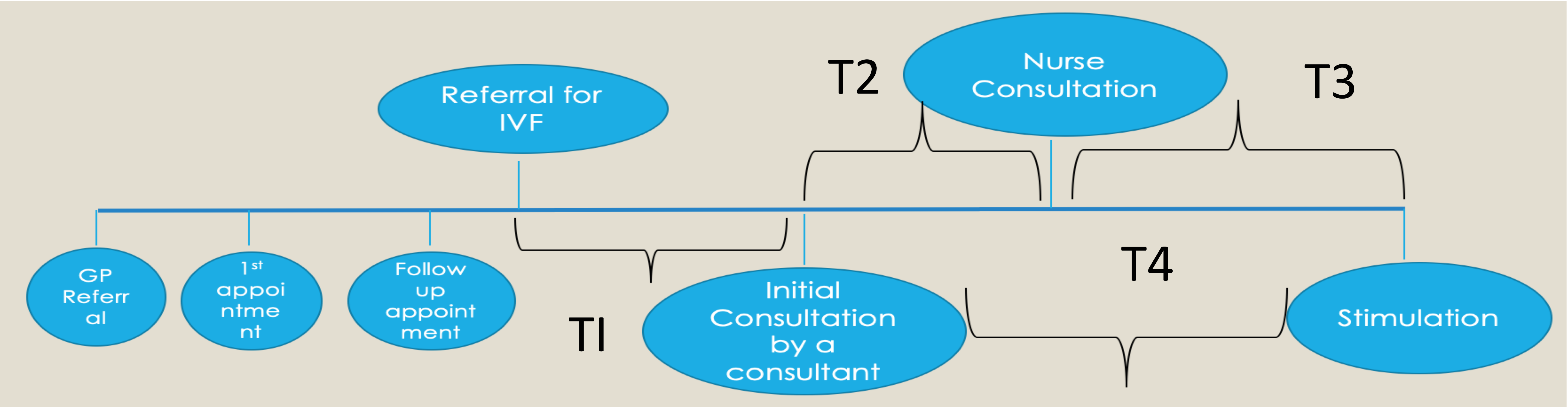


A 6 month audit of IVF waiting times and measures to reduce it.

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Objective: To look at the time interval from point of referral to the time of IVF commencement

Time period: July 2023- December 2023



Outcome measures:

- Median waiting time between IVF referral and initial consultation (T1)
- Median waiting time between initial consultation and nurse consultation (T2)
- Median waiting time between nurse consultation and stimulation (T3)
- Median waiting time between initial consultation and stimulation (T4)

Results:

Number of patients referred for IVF = 67.
Number of patients who have attended initial consultation= 44. Number of patients who have attended nurse consultation= 41 Number of patients who have undergone IVF stimulation= 31

Outcome	Median waiting time	No of patients above median time	Reasons for going above median time
T1	26 weeks	9	BMI, waiting for blood tests and SSR, natural pregnancy, psychological issues
T2	7 weeks	8	Patient’s choice, waiting for clearance from GP, Prostag, DNA’d appointments
T3	6 weeks	4	BMI, waiting for clearance from GP
T4	14 weeks	2	Patient’s choice to wait, clearance from GP

Recommendations: We aim to reduce T1 to 16 weeks as per National guidelines by implementing the following:

1. Ordering blood tests at the time of referral
2. BMI optimization, smoking cessation and clearance from other specialities to be done before IVF referral is made
- 3.Periodic interaction with couple to ensure that the blood tests are done.

Reaudit: After 1 year

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