

GP follow-up note

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Waterford West Medical Centre

Date: 02/09/2026

Patient: Samir Patel (55 years, male)

GP: Dr Claire Evans

Reason for contact

Completion review to confirm resolution of lower leg cellulitis following oral antibiotic therapy.

History

- Background of type 2 diabetes, peripheral neuropathy and hypertension. Works as a driver and has reduced foot sensation. No known drug allergies.
- 21/08/2026: shin abrasion after contact with a garden edge; cleaned at home.
- 23/08/2026: GP review documented non-purulent cellulitis with an 8 cm area of erythema and no systemic symptoms. Skin edge marked. Cephalexin 500 mg four times daily started with a planned 5-day course.
- 25/08/2026: ED review at Logan Hospital for cellulitis progressing on initial oral therapy. No sepsis features. Cephalexin ceased; clindamycin 450 mg three times daily started for a 7-day course. ED inflammatory markers final: elevated. Advised to elevate the leg and return for fever, rapid spread of redness or increasing pain.
- 27/08/2026: community nursing wound review - redness receding, no discharge.
- 30/08/2026: community nursing wound review - small dry scab, no surrounding warmth; near resolution.

Review findings

- Wound closed.
- No erythema.
- No fever.

Assessment

- Cellulitis resolved and antibiotic course completed.

Medication changes

- Clindamycin 450 mg three times daily - course completed and ceased. Reason: cellulitis resolved.
- Cephalexin remains ceased as of 25/08/2026.
- Regular medications unchanged: gliclazide MR 60 mg once daily, metformin 1000 mg twice daily, telmisartan 40 mg once daily.

Follow-up

- Community wound review completed 30/08/2026.
- GP review after antibiotic course completed 02/09/2026.
- Documented follow-up actions are complete.