

29. MULTIPLE ALLERGY SYNDROMES

29.2 Introduction

29.2.1 A number of medical clinics have been established which lay claim to an ability to detect allergy in humans to a host of items in the food that we eat and in the air that we breathe. These allergy syndromes are reputed to cause significant disability that can only be helped by following the treatment prescribed by the particular clinic. Conventional medicine is claimed to be of no benefit.

29.2.2 Properly conducted medical trials have failed to confirm the claims made by the various practitioners in multiple allergy and the consensus of informed medical opinion is that no such condition exists.

29.3 Care Needs and Mobility Considerations

29.3.1 Symptoms said to arise from multiple allergy tend to occur in obsessional and introspective individuals and may be psychoneurotic in origin. Although many people labelled with this diagnosis claim to have significant care and mobility needs, these do not appear to be due to any underlying severe physical or mental disablement.

29.4 Further Evidence

29.4.1 A report from an examining medical practitioner may need to be obtained to try to gain a full picture of the affected person's physical and mental state and needs.