

URGENT TWO WEEK WAIT REFERRAL FOR GYNAECOLOGY CANCER

If patient does not fulfil the criteria - please consider an urgent/routine referral

| PATIENT DETAILS | GP DETAILS |
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| Surname | GP Name |
| Forename(s) | GP Practice |
| DOB Age | Practice Code |
| NHS number | Practice Manager |
| Address 1 | GP Address 1 |
| Address 2 | GP Address 2 |
| Address 3 Postcode | Postcode Telephone |
| Home telephone | Fax |
| Work/mobile | |

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| Date decision to refer: | Translator required: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Hoist: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, specify language: |
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OVARIAN

Symptoms of persistent abdominal distension (bloating) >12 episodes/month **or**, early satiety, weight loss

Clinical suspicion **or** Palpable mass – not obviously fibroid

Ascites **or** Ovarian cyst >5cms **or** Pelvic mass on ultrasound

CA125 requested, results if available

USS (pelvis/abdomen) requested, report and date attached if available

ENDOMETRIAL/UTERINE

Post-menopausal bleeding not on HRT

Post-menopausal bleeding persistent/unexplained after cessation of HRT for 6 weeks

Post-menopausal bleeding on Tamoxifen

Persistent intermenstrual bleeding >3 cycles.

CERVICAL

Suspicious lesion on cervix **or** Persistent post-coital bleeding

Triple swabs if <40yrs old (Not to wait for swab results if any concern)

VULVAL/VAGINA

Unexplained lump or suspicious lesion

Bleeding due to ulceration

RECURRENCE OF CANCER

Suspicion of recurrence of known gynaecological cancer

Any other relevant clinical information or examination finding:

DISCUSSION WITH PATIENT PRIOR TO REFERRAL

Yes Is the patient aware that they may be seen by a male or female consultant/clinician?

Yes I have discussed with the patient the "2 Week Wait" information leaflet **and/or**

Yes I have given the patient a "2 Week Wait" information leaflet

Yes I have informed the patient that there is a possibility of cancer and that they are being referred to a 2-week-wait rapid access clinic, or that they need investigations to exclude cancer

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| GP Name (please print): | Signature: |
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GYNAECOLOGICAL CLINICS WITH RAPID ACCESS FACILITIES

| Hospital | Phone number | Fax/NHS Mail/E-referral |
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| Heart of England NHS FT | 0121 424 5000 | E-referral or bhs-tr.2ww-referrals@nhs.net |
| City and Sandwell | 0121 507 2658 | 0121 507 3723 or swbhrapidaccesscentre@nhs.net |
| Birmingham Women's | 0121 623 6845 | 0121 627 2768 |
| Walsall Manor | 01922 721172 ext7110 or 7785 | 01922 656773 |

Why Have I Been Given a ‘Two Week Wait?’ Hospital Appointment?

What is a ‘two week wait’ appointment?

The ‘two week wait’ or ‘urgent’ appointment was introduced so that a specialist would see any patient with symptoms that **might** indicate cancer as quickly as possible. The two week wait appointment has been requested either by your GP or dentist.

Why has my GP referred me?

GPs diagnose and treat many illnesses but sometimes they need to arrange for you to see a specialist hospital doctor. This could be for a number of reasons such as:

- The treatment already given by your GP has not worked.
- Your symptoms need further investigation.
- Investigations arranged by your GP have shown some abnormal results.
- Your GP suspects cancer.

Does this mean I have cancer?

Most of the time, it doesn’t. Even though you are being referred to a specialist, **this does not necessarily mean that you have cancer**. More than 70% of patients referred with a ‘two week wait’ appointment do not have cancer.

What symptoms might need a ‘two week wait’ appointment?

- A lump that does not go away.
- A change in the size, shape or colour of a mole.
- Abnormal bleeding.
- A change in bowel or bladder habits.
- Continuous tiredness and/or unexplained weight loss.
- Other unexplained symptoms.

What should I do if I’m unable to attend an appointment in the next two weeks?

This is an important referral. Let your GP know immediately (or the hospital when they contact you) if you are unable to attend a hospital appointment within the next two weeks.

What do I need to do now?

- Make sure that your GP has your correct address and telephone number, including your mobile phone number.
- The hospital will try to contact you by telephone to arrange an appointment. If they are not able to make telephone contact, an appointment letter will be sent to you by post.
- **Inform your GP surgery if you have not been contacted by the hospital within three working days** of the appointment with your GP.
- You will receive further information about your appointment before you go to the hospital. It is important you read this information and follow the instructions.
- Please feel free to bring someone with you to your appointment at the hospital.

As some hospitals have more than one site, your appointment may not be at the site closest to you to ensure you the get seen in the soonest possible time.

It is important to remember that even though you will receive a ‘two week wait’ appointment, being referred to a specialist does not necessarily mean that you have cancer. Remember, 7 out of 10 patients referred this way do not have cancer.

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