

2 Week Rule Referral – Head and Neck (see separate thyroid referral form)

Patient Details	
Name:	Date of Birth:
Address:	Sex: M/F
	NHS Number:
	Hospital Number:
Daytime Telephone:	<input type="checkbox"/> Please indicate by ticking the appropriate box(es) which number(s) the patient can be contacted on during the next 24 hours
Work Telephone	
Mobile Telephone:	
GP Details	
GP Name:	Telephone Number:
Practice:	Fax Number:
Date of Referral:	
Lives alone <input type="checkbox"/>	Social circumstances Is a carer for someone <input type="checkbox"/>
Has a care package <input type="checkbox"/>	

Your patient will be seen under the 2 week rule if one or more of the following criteria present. Please tick the appropriate box(es) and add relevant details below.

Urgent referral

- an unexplained lump in the neck, of recent onset, or a previously undiagnosed lump that has changed over a period of 3 to 6 weeks
- an unexplained persistent swelling in the parotid or submandibular gland
- an unexplained persistent sore or painful throat
- unilateral unexplained pain in the neck and neck area for more than 4 weeks, associated with otalgia (ear ache) but a normal otoscopy
- unexplained ulceration of the oral mucosa or mass persisting for more than 3 weeks
- unexplained red and white patches (including suspected lichen planus) of the oral mucosa that are painful or swollen or bleeding

Refer for an urgent chest xray patients with hoarseness persisting for more than 3 weeks, particularly smokers aged over 50 years and heavy drinkers. If there is a positive finding refer via 2 WR to Lung, If there is a negative finding refer via 2WR to Head and Neck

For patients with persistent symptoms or signs related to the oral cavity in whom a definitive diagnosis of a benign lesion cannot be made, refer or follow-up until the symptoms and signs disappear. If the symptoms and signs have not disappeared after 6 weeks, make an urgent referral

Current Medication
Relevant PMH
Additional Information
Please state if you are attaching a computer printout of this information Yes/No

Reference: NICE referral guidelines for suspected cancer June 2005
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