

Suspected
Lower GI
Cancer

Please tick reasons for referral

- Patients who have had the following:
- Unexplained change in bowel habit towards loose stools of over six weeks' duration
 - Rectal bleeding with or without a change in bowel habit
 - Lower abdominal mass (for direct referral for imaging i.e. CT unless felt to be colonic in nature)
 - Rectal mass
 - Unexplained iron deficiency anaemia
- Patients with anaemia require upper and lower endoscopy**

- ANY of the following symptoms:
- Rectal Mass
 - Unexplained rectal bleeding
 - Unexplained change in bowel habit (>6weeks)
 - Unexplained iron deficiency anaemia

Lower abdominal mass

Clinically thought to be colonic

Yes

No / unsure

2WW referral for imaging

Unexplained abdominal pain / upper abdominal mass

Refer to 'Upper GI' flowchart

2WW Referral

Imaging will be triaged by radiology. In general:

U/S:

- <40 years
- BMI < 25
- Suspected pelvic mass in female

CT Abdomen/Pelvis: mass is unequivocal with high probability of cancer