

RAPID CANCER DIAGNOSTIC SERVICE

Inclusion Criteria (On Clinical Guidelines App):

- GP/Referrer, non-specific clinical suspicion of cancer (vague symptoms).
- RCDS blood bundle has been requested.
- No existing USOC Pathway suitable for this scenario.
- Pt >18 years of age.
- Unexplained weight loss
- Persistent unexplained fatigue.
- Sustained nausea/appetite loss
- New atypical pain e.g. diffuse bone pain.
- Patient is well enough to attend for out patient investigations.
- Patient understands next steps, and is available to attend for a whole day at short notice.

RCDS Blood Bundle:

On Ordercomms, tick RCDS male or RCDS female

If no access to Ordercomms, please order bloods in usual way

FBC, U&Es, LFT's, Calcium, Ferritin, Coeliac serology, HbA1c, TFTs, CA 125 (women), PSA (men)

Please ask for patient to get bloods done **urgently**

You do not need to wait for results before referring

Refer via SCI Gateway

Lanarkshire Cancer Referral

Rapid Cancer Diagnostic Service (RCDS)

Up to date contact telephone number for the patient is essential.

Exclusion Criteria:

- Already on an USOC pathway.
- Symptoms align to an existing USOC pathway.
- Referral out-with Primary Care.
- Patient <18 years old
- Previous Cancer diagnosis and symptoms are likely due to recurrence (refer to site specific USOC).
- Patient has been reviewed by RCDS in the last 3 months and no new symptoms.
- Patient too unwell/frail to attend.
- Patient requires admission to hospital.
- Patient unable/unwilling to attend at short notice/for a whole day.
- A non-cancer diagnosis is highly likely.
- CT CAP within the last 3 months with no suspicion of malignancy.

Triage by clinical RCDS team

Patient contacted by Patient Navigator

CT Scan/additional investigations performed

Option to review patient/family in RCDS clinic

Cancer Detected

- Patient informed needs assessment
- Onward referral to specialist/MDT
- Onward referral to CUP MDT and or specialist Palliative Care Services
- Additional investigations arranged

Cancer not Detected

- Reassurance/advice back to GP
- Benign pathology found - advice or referral
- Referral to other specialty if appropriate e.g. Palliative Medicine, Care of the Elderly etc.