

Dear GP Partner:

**Did you know that you can refer your Gastroenterology patients directly to CHEC via e-RS?**

**Referral process:**

Follow the usual referral process via e-RS and select CHEC (RAS or Direct Bookable Service depending on referral type). Our dedicated bookings team will handle the entire process, freeing up precious time within practice.

**Our NHS Partnership Executive for South Yorkshire, Mick Fuller says:**

"Our hospital in Sheffield, is state of the art and ready to accept patients from across the area.

Our typical waiting times are:

Triage - 72 hours

Appointment booked - 1-2 weeks

Procedure Carried out - 1-2 weeks

We are an NHS provider and exclusively carry out all service on behalf of the NHS. We pride ourselves on offering the highest standard of service.

**Our Endoscopy units at CHEC Sheffield offer:**

Two endoscopy procedure rooms.

Single sex admission rooms

Single sex changing and waiting area.

An en-suite enema room.

Single sex recovery area for patients immediately post-procedure.

**Providing:**

Private consultation room to maintain privacy and dignity, whilst discharging and discussing findings and all relevant aftercare.

A decontamination area, which is purpose built, is situated behind the procedure rooms, and complies with HTMO1-06 guidance.

**Consultant Triage**

Colonoscopy. Therapeutic

**Gastroenterology**

Flexi- Sigmoidoscopy. Treatments including Simple Biopsies

**Outpatient Assessment**

Upper and Lower. Polyp Removal (1cm max). Haemorrhoid

**Gastrosocopy**

Gastrointestinal (GI). Removal.

**Inclusion Criteria:**

Over the age of 18. Weight <220kg. ASA Grades 1 & 2. Able to consent

**Exclusion Criteria:**

Under 18 year olds. ASA Grades 3 & 4. Weight >220kg. Myocardial infarction or stroke within the last 6 weeks. Patients who lack capacity. Currently pregnant. Total dysphagia. Fitted with a cardiac implantable device. High risk of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease. Extremely vulnerable or shielding patients.

Thank you for taking the time to read this update, please contact us on the details below if you have any further questions

Kind Regards,

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