

### **Check List for a patient with chest pain who presents to the GP Surgery**

If a patient is seen in a GP surgery complaining of chest pain at rest that, if felt by the GP or staff to be cardiac in nature (i.e. possible heart attack)

- 1) A 999 call is made for a paramedic crew/8 minute response, *then*
- 2) 300mg aspirin is given unless patient on warfarin or has allergy to aspirin, *then*
- 3) An ECG is performed, and vital signs recorded by any available clinician where possible with no delay in paramedic assessment.

A member of staff stays with the patient until the crew arrive (typically a GP or practice nurse, but could be any sensible person who can get help if patient deteriorates suddenly).

The patient is cared for until paramedic crew arrive in a clinical area (e.g. GP/nurse office/treatment room and not the general waiting room).