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Subject: Secondary Care Axial SpA referrals to Rheumatology

REQUEST & RESPONSE

1. On behalf of which Trust are you responding?

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

Part 1 – Internal Referral Pathways and screening tools

2. Does your Trust have an internal referral pathway to rheumatology from:

a) Dermatology

Yes

b) Gastroenterology

Yes

c) Ophthalmology

Yes

3. Please give details of any standard internal pathways in place. Please attach any documents to support this.

Internal referrals via email or letter.

4. What referral protocols are in place? e.g. are patients referred back to the GP with consideration / instruction to refer onward for rheumatology opinion.

Can refer directly.

5. Does your Trust utilise any screening tools such as Dublin Uveitis Evaluation Tool (DUET) or Psoriasis Epidemiology Screening Tool (PEST):

Not received within Rheumatology. Not a requirement for referrals to the service

6. Please give details of any screening tools in place. Please attach any documents to support this.

Referred if clinically suspected

Part 2 – Internal referral volumes

7. Are you able to track internal referral volumes on your systems?

Yes

8. How often do you receive referrals for suspected axial SpA in rheumatology from:

a) Dermatology

Quarterly

b) Gastroenterology

Quarterly

c) Ophthalmology

Quarterly