Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_407_23

You asked:

1. Do you have a clear pathway in primary care for the investigation of non-cancer related lower gastrointestinal symptoms that include the use of faecal calprotectin tests? If yes, please attach a copy.

Clinicians work to the relevant NICE and speciality Guidance for IBD, IBS and Coeliac Disease in the investigation and management of non-cancer GI symptoms. Please find attached the Primary Care FIT Pathway (attachment 1).

2. Are a) qFIT and b) faecal calprotectin tests available in primary care in your area and for what indications?

qFIT is available within Primary Care and Secondary Care for the investigation of weight loss, iron deficiency anaemia and change in bowel habit.

Faecal calprotectin tests are available for investigating gastrointestinal symptoms for patients under the age of 55 years. Attached is the Calproctectin Algorhythm (attachment 2).

3. Are a) qFIT and b) faecal calprotectin tests available in secondary care in your area and for what indications?

Please see response to question 2.