

August eReferrals update 2021

Midland eReferral



NEW National Bowel Screening Programme – Positive FIT eReferral: 4th August 2021

Organisation Name	Department	Specialty	DHB:
Search: <input type="text" value="fit"/>			Taranaki
National Bowel Screening P		Positive FIT	

National Bowel Screening Programme (NBSP) commences on 3rd August 2021 in Taranaki for people aged between 60 and 74 years old.

All referrals for any Positive FIT test result are to be completed within 10 days of receiving a participant results by using this eReferral pathway:

Referral To	
Refer To	National Bowel Screening Programme Positive FIT

The priority/ urgency will automatically select as “URGENT” and can’t be adjusted.

Urgency	<input type="text" value="Urgent"/>
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Positive FIT
The National Bowel Screening service is for patients who are aged 60 to 74 years and eligible for publicly funded health care.
Patient Must Have received a Positive FIT from the National Bowel Screening programme.
Exclusion Criteria Patients with a Positive Fit from any other source must be referred to the surgical outpatient clinic.
Resources and Links Patient resource: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your bowel screening test is positive Clinician resource: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quick reference guide of primary Healthcare Teams National Screening Unit HealthPathway - National Bowel Screening Programme (NBSP)

Referral Details	Patient Details	Specialty	Clinical Details	Investigations	Referrer Details
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The “Specialty Tab” must be completed before sending the referral which details the patient’s information, including eligibility, family history, fitness for community bowel preparation for colonoscopy and any psychosocial conditions which may impact their ability to attend appointments or complete the procedure.

Referral Details

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Section 1:

Patient Information:

1. Patient has a positive FIT from National Bowel Screening ☒ Yes ☐ No

This referral pathway is only for NBSP Positive FIT kit tests. Any commercial test kits results are not to be referred through this route. Please use the "Gastrointestinal symptoms" eReferral pathway for either General Surgery or Gastroenterology.

2. This patient is enrolled in this practice? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you receive a result from a patient who is not/ no longer registered with your practice, select "NO" and your referral is complete. This is considered an "information only" referral and when received by TDHB Bowel screening service, follow-up with the patient will be actioned by the CNS.

This patient is enrolled in this practice? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Note: Form is complete. Please send and the National Bowel Screening service will follow up with this patient.

3. This patient is enrolled in this practice but has been unable to be contacted in the 10 day period? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Note: Form is complete. Please send and the National Bowel Screening service will follow up with this patient.
If you have been unable to contact your patient within the 10 day period, the CNS will attempt to contact your patient after discussion with you from day 11 onwards and if unable to make patient contact, will action outreach if not able to make contact.

4. Discussion has been held with the patient about the positive FIT Result ☐ Yes ☐ No

Patient must be informed about their Positive FIT result so that they understand the results and that a colonoscopy is indicated and what their options are. These may include TDHB NBSP colonoscopy, private specialist referral or decline. Participation should always be encouraged.

Discussion has been held with the patient about the positive FIT Result ☐ Yes ☒ No

FIT result should be discussed with the patient prior to sending this referral.

This consultation can be either Face 2 face or virtually and delivered by the most appropriate clinical practice member (GP, GP Nurse practitioner, GP CNS, GP Nurse)

Discussion has been held with the patient about the positive FIT Result ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Private:

Patient has been referred to a private specialist ☐ Yes ☐ No

Should patient choose private colonoscopy, please progress this on their behalf as per your normal process plus completed this eReferral as "information only".

Decline:

Patient declines a colonoscopy

☐ Yes ☐ No

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Should the patient decline to progress with a colonoscopy, please send this referral as information only and the CNS Bowel screening will contact the patient to discuss this and encourage primary care contact should any symptoms appear. Should your patient wish to withdraw from the programme, this will be documented after discussion with the CNS with the patient and removed from the Bowel Screening Register so that no further invitations are sent out.

Patient declines a colonoscopy

☒ Yes ☐ No

Note: Form is complete. Please send and the National Bowel Screening service will follow up with this patient.

This next section on eligibility for colonoscopy only appears if patient has selected to progress with a colonoscopy with the NBSP service through TDHB and have answered these questions in section 1:

Patient Information:	
Patient has a positive FIT from National Bowel Screening	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
This patient is enrolled in this practice?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
This patient is enrolled in this practice but has been unable to be contacted in the 10 day period?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Discussion has been held with the patient about the positive FIT Result	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Private:	
Patient has been referred to a private specialist	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Decline:	
Patient declines a colonoscopy	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Section 2: These clinical eligibility questions need to be detailed with the patient as any "yes" answer may mean that patient may already be known to specialist services, be due surveillance colonoscopy or should not have received an invitation to screen as missed from being excluded from the bowel screening register if they have bowel cancer.

Patients eligibility for colonoscopy needs review if:	
Colonoscopy/CT Colon in the last 5 years (please attach imaging report)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Is on the bowel cancer surveillance programme	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Has had or been treated for bowel cancer	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Has a colostomy / colectomy	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Has ulcerated colitis or crohns disease	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

Section 3:

Family History	
Family History of colorectal cancer	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown

This is important to detail as accurately as possible.

Family History of colorectal cancer				<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Unknown
Relationship	Number	Youngest age @ Dx	Comments			
1st Degree	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
2nd Degree	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			

Section 4: This clinical information is important to ensure the patient is able to take the bowel preparation which is required for an accurate colonoscopy procedure and that the patient is safe as some medications may need to be stopped prior.

Fitness for community bowel preparation:					
Fitness for community bowel preparation		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Concerns <input type="radio"/> Unknown			
Artificial heart valve?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Anticoagulation medication?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Antiplatelets?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Diabetes medication?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Please check the Clinical Details page is up-to-date and attach relevant investigations					
Comments	<input type="text"/>				

Section 5:

Please detail any psychosocial conditions that may impact on the patient's ability to attend appointments or complete the procedure

Please refer to the Taranaki Primary Care Guideline for detailed information about the programme:
https://www.tdhub.org.nz/primary_care/documents/NBSP-Taranaki-Primary-Care-Guide.pdf

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