**UHS Respiratory A&G Pilot**

Dear Colleagues,

UHS are running a pilot service from 01/09/2022 to 30/11/2022 for Respiratory advice and guidance. This is now live on ERS under the service name **Respiratory Medicine - (Advice & Guidance) - Southampton - UHSFT – RHM.**

This is for male and female patients who are 18 years and over. This service will operated Monday to Friday 08:00 to 16:00. Key Inclusion/exclusion criteria for this service are:

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| **Exclusions** | **Inclusions (conditions treated)** |
| * Suspected lung cancer- Please contact Lung cancer service * Lung cancer (confirmed)- please contact LCNS * NIV (non-invasive ventilation)- Please contact TRC * CPAP- please contact-Sleep service * Sleep apnoea- please contact Sleep Service * Cystic fibrosis- please contact CF service * Primary ciliary dyskinesia -please contact PCD service * Tuberculosis- please contact TB services * Allergy services - please contact Allergy services * Monoclonal antibody treatment for Asthma (-please contact TRC) * Pulmonary hypertension-Please contact Pulmonary hypertension nurse specialist * Pulmonary nodule- please contact Pulmonary nodule service | General Respiratory diseases   * Chronic Cough > 3 weeks * Abnormal chest x-ray * Abnormal CT chest * Chest infection * Asthma * COPD * Pneumonia * Empyema * Symptoms of wheeze of dyspnoea * Suspected respiratory failure due to lung or neuromuscular disease * Bronchiectasis * Pulmonary Sarcoidosis * Unexplained haemoptysis in < 40 years old * Non cardiac cause of chest pain * Interstitial lung disease |

For any queries or if you wish to discuss this with the team please contact: [UHS.MedSAT3@nhs.net](mailto:UHS.MedSAT3@nhs.net)

Some key additional points to note for this service are:

* For Tuberculosis A&G please see 7954467 Respiratory Medicine - Tuberculosis - (Advice & Guidance) - Southampton - UHSFT – RHM
* Indications that patients require an appointment under the 2 weeks rule suspected cancer -

Chest x-ray suggestive or suspicious of lung cancer

* Signs of superior vena caval obstruction
* Stridor (consider emergency referral)
* Unexplained haemoptysis in smoker over 40 years (with normal chest x-ray or not)
* Please refer via the 2 wwk service - 7957973 -2WW Suspected Lung Cancer - (Triage) - Southampton - UHSFT - RHM
* A&G will not be converted in cases where cancer is suspected and will require GP referral via the correct 2ww pathway.

The service will aim to respond within 5 working days to all A&G referrals.