Guidelines for suspected cancer (2-week wait)
ENT surgery referrals

CONDITIONS TREATED:

- Nose
- Sinus
- Larynx
- Pharynx
- Tonsil
- Salivary Gland
- Thyroid
- STRIDOR – Refer immediately
- Hoarseness (persisting for more than four weeks with normal CXR) - Do CXR before referral
- Sore throat (persistent, no other cause)
- Otalgia (persistent, no other cause) unilateral
- Lump in neck (unresolved neck masses for > 3 weeks)
- Unexplained persistent parotid/submandibular swelling
- Thyroid solitary nodule increasing in size

Please note - For acoustic neuroma / cholesteatoma and tinnitus referrals please refer directly to the Royal National Throat, Nose & Ear Hospital (RNTNEH). The University College Hospital Macmillan Cancer Centre do NOT have on site audiology and otology services. These are provided at the RNTNEH.

PROCEDURES PERFORMED
Nasendoscopy, fine needle aspiration, ultrasound scan, blood test

EXCLUSIONS:

- Lip – refer to Maxillofacial Team
- Oral Cavity/Oral Swellings – refer to Maxillofacial Team
- Oral mucosal patches – refer to Maxillofacial Team
- Maxillary Sinus
ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS:

1. If the patient requires transport this should be booked by the GP for the first appointment.
2. If the patient requires a link worker or interpreter then please include extensive details within the referral letter.
3. Please confirm all demographic details of the patient including correct full name, address, NHS. No and contact numbers including a mobile.
4. Please state in the referral letter if the patient has any other special requirements.