

Bowel Cancer Screening Programme Guideline for Surveillance Patients within BCSP

This guidance does not override the individual responsibility of health professionals to make appropriate decision according to the circumstances of the individual patient in consultation with the patient and /or carer. Health care professionals must be prepared to justify any deviation from this guidance.

Introduction

This guideline outlines the procedure for managing recall of surveillance patients under the BCSP.

This guideline is for use by the following staff groups :

BCSP Specialist Screening Practitioners BCSP Admin Team

Lead Clinician(s)

Mr S Lake	BCSP Programme Director
Approved Endoscopy Directorate Meeting:	7 th September 2022
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Review Date This guideline should not be used after end of:	30 th November 2025

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Amendment Date By: 30 December 2013 Patient no longer contacted by Screening Office Siân Webley when Health Check form is not received two weeks following reminder letter. Removed from pathway flowchart. Full review of document November 2014 Mr S Lake November 2014 Full review of document Siân Webley November 2016 Full review of document Siân Webley 19th June 2019 Documents extended for 6 months whilst Emma Duggan reviewed 11th Feb 2020 Documents extended for 6 months whilst review Emma Duggan and approval is processed 27th July 2020 Documents extended for 6 months during COVID-QGC/Gold Meeting 19 period

Key amendments to this guideline

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January 2021	Full review of document	Emma Duggan
1 st March 2021	Document extended for 6 months as per Trust agreement 11/02/2021	
16 th July 2021	Documents extended for 6 months whilst review and approval is processed	Emma Duggan/ Mr Stephen Lake
September 2022	Full review of document	Avril Turley

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Introduction

The purpose of this guideline is:

- To ensure that surveillance patients receive Health Check Form 6-8 weeks prior to surveillance due date.
- To ensure that Health Check Form is received back within two weeks, or to re-issue if not received.
- To ensure where no Health Check Form is received, attempts are made to contact patient.
- To ensure patients are assessed by an SSP by telephone or in clinic, following receipt of Health Check Form to confirm patient is fit to proceed with surveillance.
- To ensure patients are booked for surveillance procedure within +/- 3 months of surveillance due date.

Scope of This Document

This document applies to Specialist Screening Practitioners (SSPs) and administrative staff working within the Herefordshire & Worcestershire Bowel Cancer Screening Programme.

The information within this procedure is in addition to the information available within the 'NHS Bowel Cancer Screening Programme, Guide Book for Programme Hubs and Screening Centres, Version 3, 31 March 2008' and the 'Adenoma Surveillance, BCSP Guidance Note No 1, Version 1, September 2009'.

Implementation

This procedure will need to be implemented for the recall and assessment of patients requiring surveillance under the BCSP. All BCSP staff will be notified of this documents existence and it will form part of the induction plan for new staff.

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Monitoring Tool

Key Document	Key control:	Checks to be carried out to confirm compliance with the policy:	How often the check will be carried out:	Responsible for carrying out the check:	Results of check reported to: (Responsible for also ensuring actions are developed to address any areas of non- compliance)	Frequency of reporting:
WAHT- BCS-023	All surveillance procedures to be booked within +/- 2 months of patients surveillance due date.		Monthly	Programme Manager	BCSP Programme Board	Quarterly.

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References

Gray, S. (2008) NHS Bowel Cancer Screening Programme, Guide Book for Programme Hubs and Screening Centres, Version 3 Sheffield, NHS Cancer Screening Programmes

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust, Bowel Cancer Screening Operational Policy

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Name	Committee / group	
Mr S Lake	BCSP Operational Group	

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Supporting Document 1 - Equality Impact Assessment Tool

To be completed by the key document author and attached to key document when submitted to the appropriate committee for consideration and approval.

		Yes/No	Comments
1.	Does the policy/guidance affect one group less or more favourably than another on the basis of:		
	Race	No	
	Ethnic origins (including gypsies and travellers)	No	
	Nationality	No	
	• Gender	No	
	Culture	No	
	Religion or belief	No	
	 Sexual orientation including lesbian, gay and bisexual people 	No	
	• Age	No	
2.	Is there any evidence that some groups are affected differently?	No	
3.	If you have identified potential discrimination, are any exceptions valid, legal and/or justifiable?	No	
4.	Is the impact of the policy/guidance likely to be negative?	No	
5.	If so can the impact be avoided?	N/A	
6.	What alternatives are there to achieving the policy/guidance without the impact?	N/A	
7.	Can we reduce the impact by taking different action?	N/A	

If you have identified a potential discriminatory impact of this key document, please refer it to Human Resources, together with any suggestions as to the action required to avoid/reduce this impact.

For advice in respect of answering the above questions, please contact Human Resources.

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Supporting Document 2 – Financial Impact Assessment

To be completed by the key document author and attached to key document when submitted to the appropriate committee for consideration and approval.

	Title of document:	Yes/No
1.	Does the implementation of this document require any additional Capital resources	No
2.	Does the implementation of this document require additional revenue	No
3.	Does the implementation of this document require additional manpower	No
4.	Does the implementation of this document release any manpower costs through a change in practice	No
5.	Are there additional staff training costs associated with implementing this document which cannot be delivered through current training programmes or allocated training times for staff	No
	Other comments:	None

If the response to any of the above is yes, please complete a business case and which is signed by your Finance Manager and Directorate Manager for consideration by the Accountable Director before progressing to the relevant committee for approval

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