
REFERRAL FOR HAEMATURIA TO A SPECIALIST IN UROLOGY

Indications for referral include:

A. EMERGENCY REFERRALS TO A SPECIALIST

Refer patients urgently to exclude bladder cancer if they are:

- *aged 45 and over and have:*
 - unexplained visible haematuria without urinary tract infection or
 - visible haematuria that persists or recurs after successful treatment of urinary tract infection.
- *aged 60 and over and have:*
 - unexplained non-visible haematuria and either dysuria or a raised white cell count on a blood test.

Note: The presence of haematuria (VH or NVH) should not be attributed to anti-coagulant or anti-platelet therapy and patients should be evaluated regardless of these medications.

B. ROUTINE REFERRAL TO A SPECIALIST

- Consider non-urgent referral in people aged 60 and over with recurrent or persistent unexplained urinary tract infection.

Source:

1. NICE (June 2015).Referral guidelines for suspected cancer.
2. Renal Association and British Association of Urological Surgeons (2008). Joint Consensus Statement on the Initial Assessment of Haematuria