## Staffordshire Referral Form

Date:	Speciality:		
Hospital/Service Provider:		Routine/Urgent	
Patient details:			
Dear			
Kind regards Dr			

## Please note:

- The patient has been given a copy of this referral
- Please contact the surgery if you need any further information relating to this referral instead of rejecting the referral and the surgery will provide any relevant and reasonable information requested.
- NB: The completion of a local referral form or proforma is neither a contractual nor a professional obligation. A referral letter providing the necessary and relevant information for an appropriate request for a secondary care service is in line with the NHS Standard Contract 2023/24 Service Conditions:
- Acceptance and Rejection of Referrals 6.8 Subject to SC6.3 and to SC7 (Withholding and/or Discontinuation of Service), the Provider must:
- 6.8.1 accept any Referral of a Service User made in accordance with the Referral processes and clinical
  thresholds set out or referred to in this Contract and/or as otherwise agreed between the Parties
  and/or as specified in any Prior Approval Scheme, and in any event where necessary for a Service User
  to exercise their legal right to choice as set out in the NHS Choice Framework"
  <a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/nhs-standard-contract/24-25/">https://www.england.nhs.uk/nhs-standard-contract/24-25/</a>
- In relation to Essential Services provided under a Primary Medical Services Contract, General Practitioners will note:
  - 8.1.2. The Contractor must provide:
  - (a) services required for the management of the Contractor's registered patients and temporary residents who are, or believe themselves to be:
  - (i) ill with conditions from which recovery is generally expected;
  - (ii) terminally ill; or
  - (iii) suffering from chronic disease, which are delivered in the manner determined by the Contractor's Practice in discussion with the patient;
  - (b) appropriate ongoing treatment and care to all of the Contractor's registered patients and temporary residents taking account of their specific needs including:
  - (i) advice in connection with the patient's health and relevant health promotion advice;
  - (ii) the referral of a patient for other services under the 2006 Act

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