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Dear Clinicians and admin staff

2ww Lung Referrals

There have recently been a number of referrals on a lung 2ww pathway without a recent CXR.

In these cases, it has usually been because a patient has had a CXR which was normal and then continued with symptoms prompting a 2ww referral. In some cases, the CXR was over 6 months old. In discussion with the consultants at the trusts we would request that ALL referrals have a CXR within a maximum of 4 weeks and ideally 2 weeks of the referral.

The number of patients is low and the dose of radiation is minimal, but it would speed their passage through the system and facilitate a speedy diagnosis.

Thank you for your cooperation and I hope you feel it makes clinical sense.

Yours sincerely



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