



## Freedom of Information request & West Norfolk CCG response

### WN298 – Cancer Diagnostics

1. Does the CCG commission direct access for GPs to the following cancer diagnostics:

- i) Non-obstetric ultrasound (for ovarian cancer)
- ii) Chest X-ray (for lung cancer)
- iii) Flexible sigmoidoscopy (for colorectal cancer)
- iv) Brain MRI (for brain cancer)

**In 2013 WNCCG commissioned direct access non obstetric ultrasounds in collaboration with the rest of Norfolk. Our GP's also have direct access to flexible sigmoidoscopy and Brain MRI, for suspected cancers would be referred through the 2 week wait system.**

2. Does the CCG plan to commission or decommission any of these direct access schemes this financial year? Please provide details.

**WN CCG has no plans either to commission or decommission these services this financial year.**

3. Are there any limits on GPs' use of local direct access schemes (for instance a cap on the number of diagnostic tests that can be accessed in a set period of time)? Please provide details.

**There are currently no limits to access.**

4. Is the CCG benchmarking local practices' use of these diagnostic tests? Please provide details.

**As part of performance monitoring we review referral variances across practice**