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Consultation Request

Acute Consultation – Call SFCC SFCC Urban: 1 (866) 766-6050

Outpatient Consultation - Fax Referral

GI Peds Fax: (306) 655-3534

Existing Patients – **Call Clinical Coordinator** GI Clinical Coordinator: (306) 655-6479

Please note the Peds GI service is not an acute emergency service, in the case of an emergency please seek medical attention at the nearest Emergency Department or contact SFCC.

Requirement for all referrals:

Complete the intake sheet in order for the patient to be efficiently triaged. Failure to provide the relevant information will result in the referral being returned. Document anthropometry is required prior to the referral being triaged.

Problem based referral pathways:

A symptom based referral pathway has been developed in order to aid with efficient and appropriate patient triage. Based on the triage criteria and work-up the patient will be assigned to the appropriate provider by the Peds GI intake team. Wait times listed are a guideline only and will vary depending on demand.



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CONSULTATION REQUEST	
Date:	
To:	Service:
From:	Service:
Please Check: Urgent Routine	
Consultation Submitted: Date & Time:	
Patient Location:	Consultation Only
Request:	Consultation Therapy
	Transfer to Your Care
Signature:	
Transfer Accepted: Yes No	
Date: Consultant	Signature
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Reason for Referral	Clinical Symptoms and Signs	Work-up required to referral	Referral/Triage time frame
		(attach)	
Abdominal Pain	Exclude life threatening causes:	□СВС	☐ General Pediatrics or
(Acute)	☐Intestinal obstruction,	□ESR/CRP	Pediatric Surgery referral as
	perforation, hemorrhage.	□BUN	indicated
		□Lytes	
	Consider non GI causes:	☐ Creatinine	
	\square Gynecological, urologic,	□LFT	
	musculoskeletal	□Lipase	
		☐ Urinalysis, HCG if applicable	
		☐AXR/Ultrasound as indicated	
Abdominal Pain	Red flag signs:	□СВС	☐ Red flags/abnormal blood
(Recurrent or	☐Loss of weight	□CRP	work present, fax referral to
Chronic)	☐Unexplained fever	□LFTs	Peds GI for outpatient
	☐ Persistent vomiting +/-	□Lipase	consultation
	hematemesis	□Albumin	
	☐Chronic diarrhea	☐Iron Studies	☐ No red flags and normal
	☐Blood in stool	☐TTg-IgA/Total IgA	work up, to be assessed by
	☐ Persistent RUQ or RLQ	☐Stool Culture/O&P	Pediatrician
	abdominal pain	☐Consider imaging	
	☐Short stature	AXR/Ultrasound	
	\square Delayed puberty		
	☐Abnormal physical findings		
	Family history of IBD, peptic ulcer		
	disease, pancreatitis and		
	autoimmune disease		
Ascending	☐Screen for non GI infection	□LFT	☐ Call SFCC
Cholangitis		□INR/PT	
Biliary Atresia Post	☐ If negative consider Ascending		
Kasai	Cholangitis	☐Blood Culture	
Portoenterostomy		☐ Urine Culture	
		☐Viral swabs if clinically	
		indicated	
Celiac Disease	At risk populations:	☐TTG-IgA on gluten inclusive	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for
	□T1DM	diet for 1 month	Outpatient Consultation
	☐ Downs Syndrome	□lgA	
	☐Tuners Syndrome	□СВС	(Referral directly to GI
	☐ Williams Syndrome	☐ Random Glucose	Dietitian is inappropriate)
	☐ IgA Deficiency	□TSH	
	☐ Autoimmune Thyroid Disease	□LFT	
	☐ Family history of Celiac Disease	□DGP-IgA is not useful in	
		children >2	



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Chronic Diarrhea (>4weeks)	Red flag signs: Loss of weight Unexplained fever Persistent vomiting +/- hematemesis Blood in stool Persistent RUQ or RLQ abdominal pain Short stature Delayed puberty Abnormal physical findings Family history of IBD, peptic ulcer disease, pancreatitis and autoimmune disease Early onset (neonatal) Electrolyte abnormalities	□ CBC □ CRP □ LFTs □ Lipase □ Albumin □ Iron Studies □ BUN □ Lytes □ Creatinine □ TTG-lgA/Total IgA □ Stool Culture/O&P □ Fecal Elastase	□To be assessed by Pediatrician prior to GI clinic referral
Constipation	Red flag signs: Fever, nausea, vomiting, weight loss, decreased appetite, bloody diarrhea Onset <1 month Delayed passage of meconium Failure to thrive Abnormal neurologic exam No response to treatment	☐TSH ☐BUN ☐Lytes ☐Creatinine ☐TTG-lgA/Total IgA ☐CK/CK-MB Fraction ☐Sweat Test if indicated	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient Consultation ☐ No red flags and normal work up, to be assessed by Pediatrician.
Dysphagia	Three phases of deglutition Oral Phase: Drooling Poor suck Refusal to swallow Cough Gagging Choking Respiratory distress and aspiration Pharyngeal Phase: Difficulty initiating swallowing Esophageal Phase: Dysphagia or odynophagia swallowing	□ Symptoms of oral or pharyngeal pathology refer to SLP or MBS □ Symptoms suggestive of esophageal pathology do barium swallow.	□ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation □ Start on a Proton Pump Inhibitor prior to referral.



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Emergencies	The following are emergencies and should be referred for urgent assessment: Upper GI bleed with hemodynamic instability	☐ Appropriate resuscitation as clinically indicated	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
	☐ Abnormal LFT's with INR>2 in a fully conscious child or INR>1.5 in an encephalopathic child		
Failure to Thrive	Screen for causes of malnutrition ☐ Organic disease related ☐ Behavioral/psychological ☐ Dietary intake and food security	☐ CBC ☐ CRP ☐ LFT ☐ Lipase ☐ Albumin ☐ Iron Studies ☐ BUN ☐ Lytes ☐ Creatinine ☐ TTG-IgA/Total IgA	☐ Growth chart including correction for gestational age ☐ Pediatrician +/- Dietitian referral required prior to GI opinion
		☐ Fecal Elastase ☐ Sweat Test if indicated	
Fatty Liver with Transaminitis and BMI >85 th centile	Assess for the following ☐ Metabolic syndrome ☐ Autoimmune hepatitis ☐ Wilsons disease ☐ Viral Hepatitis	□CBC □LFT □INR □Fasting Lipid Profile □Random Blood Glucose □Copper/Ceruloplasmin □Serum Alpha 1 Antitrypsin □IgG □Total Protein □Albumin □Abdominal Ultrasound	☐ Community Dietitian referral ☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Fatty Liver with Transaminitis and normal BMI	Assess for the following Metabolic syndrome Autoimmune hepatitis Wilsons disease Viral Hepatitis	□ CBC □ LFT □ INR □ Fasting Lipid Profile □ Random Blood Glucose □ Copper and Ceruloplasmin □ Serum Alpha 1 Antitrypsin □ IgG □ Total protein □ Albumin □ Abdominal Ultrasound	□Refer to General Pediatrician



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Gallstones	Assess for Cholecystitis and Pancreatitis	☐ Fasting Lipid Profile ☐ CBC ☐ Morphology ☐ Reticulocytes ☐ LDH ☐ Haptoglobin ☐ Coombs ☐ Lipase ☐ Abdominal Ultrasound	☐ Symptomatic with Gall Stones seen on Ultrasound in the CBD, call SFCC ☐ If asymptomatic, fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease	GER is a normal physiological process GERD associated with the following: Failure to thrive Sinusitis Laryngitis Chronic cough Asthma Pneumonia	□ Proton Pump Inhibitor prior to referral	☐ Assessment by Pediatrician prior to GI referral ☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Hematemesis with Stable Hemoglobin	□ Confirm hemodynamic stability (age appropriate HR and BP) □ Resuscitation if required □ Signs of an upper GI bleed: melena hematemesis, hematochezia due to hemoglobin related catharsis	□CBC □Lytes □BUN □Creatinine	□Start Proton Pump □Call SFCC
Hepatomegaly	☐ Assess for hyperbilirubinemia and splenomegaly	☐LFT ☐INR/PT ☐Abdominal Ultrasound with Doppler	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation



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Hepatitis – Acute	☐ Assess for acute liver failure	□Hep A IgM	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI
(ALT 10x ULN,	INR>2 fully conscious child,	□HepBsAg	for outpatient consultation
normal INR)	INR>1.5 encephalopathic child	□Hep C IgM	
		□EBV	
	☐Screen for possible toxin	□см∨	
	ingestion and treat as per	□LFT	
	protocol.	□INR/PT	
		☐ Random glucose	
		□lgG	
		☐Total Protein	
		□Albumin	
		☐Abdominal Ultrasound	
Hyperbilirubinemia	☐ Assess for acute liver failure	□LFT	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI
in a child	INR>2 fully conscious child,	□СВС	for outpatient consultation
(Conjugated)	INR>1.5 encephalopathic child	□INR/PT	·
	·		
	\square Screen for possible toxin	□ск	
	ingestion and treat as per	□Hep A IgM	
	protocol.	□HepBsAg	
		☐ Hep C IgM	
		□EBV	
		□cmv	
		☐Total Protein	
		□Albumin	
		□lgG	
		☐ Abdominal Ultrasound	
Hyperbilirubinemia	Definition:	☐Conjugated, Unconjugated	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI
in a neonate	Conjugated bilirubin >17mmol/l	and Total Serum Bilirubin	for outpatient consultation
(Conjugated)	or >20% conjugated fraction	□AST/ALT/GGT	•
	☐Biliary atresia is a time	□TORCHES Screen	
	sensitive diagnosis	□TSH	
		☐Urine Culture	
	☐ Document Acholic stool	☐ Abdominal Ultrasound	
	Fractionated bilirubin in neonates		
Hyperbilirubinemia			☐ Referral to General
in a neonate			Pediatrician
(Unconjugated)			
Inflammatory	☐ Assess bowel symptoms (stool	☐ Stool Culture/O&P/Viruses/	☐ If stable, fax referral to
Bowel Disease	frequency< consistency, blood	C.Diff	Peds GI for outpatient
(Known)	nocturnal)	□CBC	consultation
	☐ Exclude non GI infections	□LFT	□If unstable as USECC
	☐ Exclude enteric infection	□CRP	\square If unstable, call SFCC
		□Albumin	



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Inflammatory Bowel Disease (Suspected)	☐ Assess for enteric infection ☐ Patients undergoing endoscopic evaluation in non- pediatrics centers require both upper GI Endoscopy and Colonoscopy ☐ Please see endoscopy biopsy site document for more details	□Stool Culture/O& P/Viruses/ C.Diff □CBC □LFT □CRP □Albumin	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Iron Deficiency Anemia	☐ Pediatric assessment prior to GI consult Exclude non GI causes ☐ 8 Weeks of iron supplementation with no demonstrable improvement in Hb or iron studies ☐ Isolated FOB positive with no other signs will not be seen	□CBC □Iron Studies □TTG-IgA/IgA □ESR/CRP □LFT □Albumin	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Liver Disease (Chronic/Portal Hypertension)	Assess for complication of portal hypertension GI bleed Sepsis Ascites Fat soluble vitamin deficiency Decreased GCS Abnormal renal function Dyspnea	□LFT □INR/PT □CBC □Abdominal Ultrasound	□ Call SFCC
Liver Enzymes (Abnormal on 2 occasions over 3-6 months)	□ Assess for acute liver failure INR>2 fully conscious child, INR>1.5 encephalopathic child □ Screen for possible toxin ingestion and treat as per protocol.	☐ Hep A IgM ☐ HepBsAg ☐ Hep C IgM ☐ EBV ☐ CMV ☐ LFT ☐ INR/PT ☐ IgG ☐ Total Protein ☐ Albumin ☐ Copper and Ceruloplasmin ☐ Abdominal Ultrasound	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Liver Transplantation	□Screen for infection	☐LFT ☐INR/PT ☐Abdominal Ultrasound with Doppler	□ Call SFCC



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Pancreatitis (chronic/recurrent) Perianal Abscess (recurrent non resolving)	Assess for acute or chronic presentation Pseudocyst formation SIRS Hypotension and Hemodynamic instability Screen for signs and symptoms of IBD In young males search for other evidence of soft tissue infection	□ BUN □ Extended Lytes □ Creatinine □ Lipase □ Fecal Elastase □ Random Glucose □ Abdominal Ultrasound □ CBC □ LFT □ CRP □ Albumin □ Stool Culture/O&P/ C.Diff	☐ If stable, fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation ☐ If unstable, call SFCC ☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Persistent Vomiting/Nausea	Red flags: Bilious vomiting Abdominal distention Red currant jelly stool No passage of gas or stool per rectum	□CBC □BUN □Lytes □Creatinine □Blood Gas (if acutely ill) □Assess for signs of raised intracranial pressure □Abdominal Ultrasound as indicated □Upper GI Contrast Study as indicated	☐ If presence of red flags signs, refer to Pediatric Surgery ☐ If stable with history of chronic vomiting, fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Polyposis	Red flags: Bilious vomiting Abdominal distention No passage of gas or stool per rectum	☐ Previous endoscopic reports and histology	☐ If presence of red flags signs, call SFCC ☐ If stable, fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Rectal Bleeding	Red flags: ☐ Exclude constipation ☐ Check for anal fissure	☐ CBC ☐ LFT ☐ CRP ☐ Albumin ☐ Stool Culture/O&P/ C.Diff	☐ Fax referral to Peds GI for outpatient consultation
Short gut syndrome	Any patient with a central line in place should be screened for sepsis if febrile		☐ All Intestinal Failure patients are currently managed out of province by Calgary GI ☐ Call SFCC



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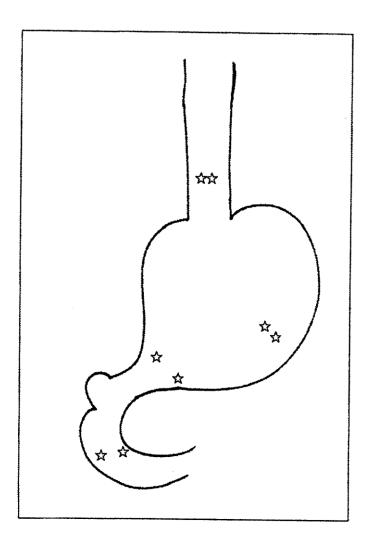
GI Service Non-Urgent Triage Guidelines

Indications	Mitigating Factors	II <3wk	III <6wk	IV <3mo	V <6mo	VI <1yr
		<5WK	< OWK	\31110	\olino	\
1. Abdominal pain	IBS/Functional				X	
(chronic/recurrent)	Non IBS			Х		
2. Celiac disease	Asymptomatic			Х		
(elevated TTg-IgA)	Mildly symptomatic		Х			
	Very symptomatic	X				
	On gluten free diet				Х	
3. Chronic diarrhea (>4weeks)	Suspect IBD	Х				
	Normal growth			Х		
	FTT/abnormal labs		X			
4. Constipation						Х
5. Dysphagia	Isolated			Х		
	Loss of weight		X			
6. Failure to Thrive	Normal Velocity			Х		
	Crossing percentiles		Х			
7. Fatty liver	Mildly elevated LFTs				Х	
8. Gallstones	Asymptomatic					Х
9. GERD	Mild symptoms			X		
	Severe symptoms	X				
	Failure to thrive	X				
10. Hepatomegaly/Splenomegaly	Isolated		X			
	FTT/abnormal labs	Х				
11. Hepatitis (increased LFTs)	INR>2 URGENT					
	INR mildly increased	Х				
	LFTs >100	X				
	LFTs<100			X		
12. Hyperbilirubinemia (Conjugated)	<4mo & Acholic stool					
	URGENT CLINIC					
	<4mo colored stool		X			
	>4mo colored stool		X			
13. Iron deficiency anemia	Abnormal Iron Studies		X			
	and HB on Iron					
	supplementation					
14. Pancreatitis (chronic)	FTT/Abnormal labs	X				
	Normal labs		Х		1	1
15. Perianal abscess		X				
16. Persistent vomiting	Normal labs				Х	
	Abnormal labs		X			
17. Polyps	Normal labs				Х	
18. Rectal bleeding	Normal labs/painless			X		
	Abnormal labs/SX	X				



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Location of Biopsies for "Routine/Normal" Upper Endoscopy

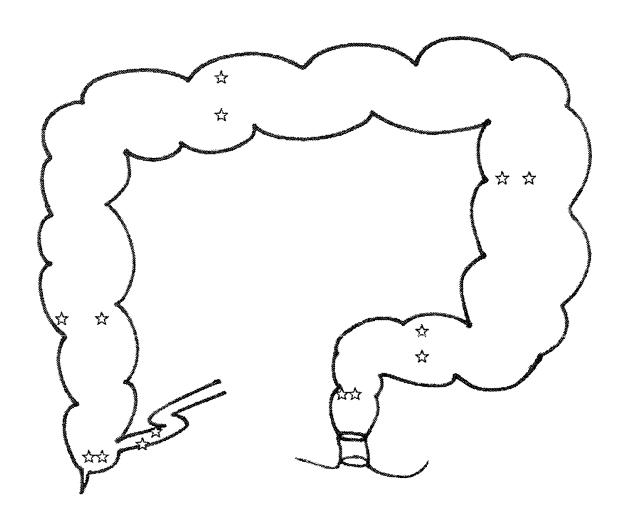


- 2 biopsies in 3rd portion of duodenum
- 2 biopsies in antrum between incisura and pylorus (not next to pylorus)
- 2 biopsies in body of stomach
- 2 biopsies from the same level 3 or 5 cm above the pinch/GE junction (depending on size of child)



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Colon Biopsy Location – Routine



- 2 biopsies from the Terminal ileum
- 2 biopsies from the Cecum
- 2 biopsies from the Ascending Colon
- 2 biopsies from the Transverse Colon
- 2 biopsies from the Descending Colon
- 2 biopsies from the Sigmoid Colon
- 2 biopsies from the Rectum