

## **Referrals for complex colorectal cancer management in Greater Manchester Cancer – Colorectal clinical sub group to The Christie Colorectal and Peritoneal Oncology Centre (CPOC)**

Following discussion at the Colorectal clinical sub group meeting the following is the pathway and referral guidelines for patients with complex colorectal cancer to the Christie. Depending on the local expertise some of these patients may be managed locally following discussion at the sector MDT.

The referral should be in the form of a letter. Please include the diagnosis and treatments to date including surgical and non-surgical treatment. Also provide the supporting information, including scan reports, operation notes, clinic notes, histo-pathology and colonoscopy reports. The letter or referral form can be sent by fax, post or email.

When we get your referral we'll acknowledge that it has been received. Our administrative team will collect all the relevant information to help us give our opinion. We have a 'consultant of the week' system to process and respond to referrals to deal with complex promptly.

### **Referral Guidelines**

We recommend referral for the following:

- Locally advanced rectal and recurrent rectal cancers requiring
  - Beyond TME resections
  - Total pelvic clearance
  - Sacrectomy
- Complex colonic cancers requiring multivisceral resection
- Colorectal Peritoneal metastases

The Christie Colorectal surgeons will support the decision making in these cases through participation at the sector colorectal MDTs in person or through video link.

Contact details for the consultant of the week and individual consultants are given below. This information is also available on our website: <http://www.christie.nhs.uk/services/a-to-h/colorectal-and-peritoneal-oncology-centre/>

We accept private patients who will be treated through The Christie Clinic:

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/our-services/colorectal-and-peritoneal-oncology-centre/the-patient-journey/private-options.aspx>