

Dear Colleague.

We write to you as Lincolnshire LMC, representatives of Lincolnshire general practice.

Please be aware that as part of GP collective action, general practice has reviewed services and those workloads which are currently undertaken, but not a commissioned service throughout general practice. Due to the escalating pressures on general practice, we can no longer absorb this non-commissioned work.

12 lead ECG provision is one such workload.

Please could you ensure that your department directly refers patients for an ECG via ULHT ECG service instead of requesting this is undertaken at the patients GP practice. This not only allows you direct receipt of the result to you but will speed up the patient journey and reduce risks of information being lost in the system.

Any requests to GP practices will be **declined and returned to the requestor for their action** unless a practice is specifically signed up to provide 12 lead ECG.

Should this workload cause a challenge for your department, please raise this with the ICB as the commissioner.

Thank you for your ongoing care of our mutual patients.



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