

Dear Colleague.

Please be aware that as part of GP collective action, general practice is reviewing services and workloads which are currently not a commissioned service throughout general practice. Due to the escalating pressures on general practice, we can no longer undertake such work without the appropriate resources and mechanisms in place to support this non-core work.

**12 Lead ECG** is one such workload.

We write to you to inform you that practices who are currently not commissioned to provide 12 lead ECG will start to refer patients needing ECGs to ULHT services. While they are not commissioned, we have advised a 28 day period before this happens to allow for ECG services to prepare.

If a patient is thought to need an urgent ECG due to their clinical condition, we have advised practices to direct them to UTC/ED.

We have informed the Trusts of this action so they can inform departments and colleagues and have advised them that to contact the ICB if they have any queries regarding this.



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