CT KUB in the Investigation of Acute Renal Colic

In line with the updated RCR Guidelines the Imaging Departments at the Royal Infirmary and Western General Hospital will now provide Direct Access to CT KUB for the **urgent** investigation of **symptomatic** patients with loin pain and haematuria and a suspected diagnosis of **acute renal colic.** IVU is no longer the recommended investigation.

The aim of this service will be to aid management by providing an early diagnosis for symptomatic patients and not for the delayed investigation of patients who may have had an episode of renal colic but are no longer symptomatic.

CT KUB is not an appropriate investigation for patients with frank haematuria in the absence of suspected colic and these patients should continue to be referred in line with the Frank Haematuria Pathway.

Plain film KUB is no longer recommended for initial investigation of this patient group

In order to facilitate early investigation referral should be by SCI Gateway: RIE/WGH>Clinical Radiology>CT (KUB Only)

Where Gateway is not available please phone or fax

RIE	Phone: 0131 242 3800	Fax: 0131 242 3799
WGH	Phone: 0131 537 2068	Fax: 0131 537 2050

Telephone contact details should be provided for the patient.

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