Suspected Lung Cancer 2ww fast track

All referral forms should include prompts for the referring GP to cover the following points with the patient prior to the referral, ideally in the form of tick boxes which require confirmation of discussion with the patient before the referral can be processed:

- Has it been explained to the patient that this referral is for investigations that could lead to a cancer diagnosis?
- Have you checked that the patient will be available in the next 14 days to attend an appointment?
- Have you provided the patient with further information about the appointment (a leaflet is recommended)
- Check patient’s contact details are up to date

Referral Criteria

The referral form should ask the referring GP to indicate which of the following symptoms are present:

- CXR suggests possible cancer
- 40 or over with unexplained haemoptysis
- Normal CXR but significant ongoing clinical concerns

n.b. the 2015 guidance has changes specifically around the following:

Urgent CXR [within 2 weeks] if:

- Thrombocytosis