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## **IMPORTANT**

The triage intake co-ordinator will assess the FIRST PAGE of this referral for completeness. A Gastroenterologist will then assess the ENTIRE REFERRAL for content.

Please fill out the entire form. INCOMPLETE REFERRAL FORMS WILL BE REJECTED.

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Fax all referrals <u>individually</u>, not as a batch containing multiple referrals.
Send your referral to the secure fax number provided above.
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Please see changes to Guidelines for Determining Level of Urgency of GI Referral on second page >>

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Date of Referral:		Previous patient of:		
Urgency of Referral:  URGENT	Semi-urgent Non-urgent	Type of Referral:	☐ Hospital ER	Re-referral
Patient Name:				
DOB: (mm/dd/yyyy)		First available	Prefers to see:	
M		Referring MD:		MSP #
PHN:				
Address:		Clinic Address:		
Tel:		Clinic Fax:		
Cell:		Clinic Tel:		
Alt Contact:		Family MD:		
Reason for Referral (Document in space		eparate attachment.)		
Clinical Warnings:  Anticoagulation and/or antiplatelet agent  ICD cardioverter-defibrillator  eGFR < 60  Language barrier:  Allergies:	<ul> <li>NONE</li> <li>Morbid obesity</li> <li>Diabetes</li> <li>Cognitive impairment</li> <li>MRSA □ VRE □ C.0</li> <li>Other infectious disease</li> </ul>	diagnostic im Attached Pending:  diff  Relevant Me	NONE	work, microbiology, ly, consultants letters)  Attached NONE
Other:	Mobility impairment	Current Med	dications:	Attached NONE



#### **GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING LEVEL OF URGENCY OF GI REFERRAL**

### **EMERGENT** - patient should be sent to the emergency department

As needed, the on call Gastroenterologist can be contacted through Island Health switchboard (250) 370-8699

Acute gastrointestinal bleeding

Esophageal food bolus or foreign body

Clinical features of ascending cholangitis

Decompensated liver disease

Acute severe hepatitis

Acute severe pancreatitis

#### **URGENT**

High likelihood of cancer based on imaging or physical exam

Clinical features suggestive of active IBD

Bright red rectal bleeding

Iron deficiency anemia

Severe or rapidly progressive dysphagia

Acute painless obstructive jaundice

Positive fecal immunochemical test

Imaging confirming choledocholithiasis

### **SEMI-URGENT**

Poorly controlled GERD or dyspepsia

Stable dysphagia that is not severe

Chronic constipation or chronic diarrhea

Chronic, unexplained abdominal pain

Confirmation of celiac disease (positive anti-TTG)

Chronic viral hepatitis

Change in bowel habit

Newly diagnosed cirrhosis

# **NON-URGENT**

Abnormal liver chemistry, persistent (greater than 6 months)

Chronic GERD for Barrett's screening

Screening/surveillance colonoscopy