

Map of medicine

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Map of Medicine care maps are your ideal starting point for defining and communicating services to improve quality and productivity.

Map of Medicine care maps offer the opportunity to radically change the way commissioning of health and social care is planned and delivered locally.

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- How people are using care maps:
- Establishing new services
- Managing referrals
- Communicating across care settings

Establishing new services

Understanding the entire care journey is essential for commissioners to ensure that new services fit seamlessly within existing structures of care. The Map enables efficient and effective development of new services based on best practice and the needs of local communities.

"The Map is already working and getting clinicians to focus on complete pathways of care across all providers on the Wirral. The Map Pathways bring enormous benefit to patients in terms of commissioning and



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New & Updated

This Map of Medicine view is under continual review and will be updated regularly.
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Find out more...

The ideal starting point for defining and communicating services, Map of Medicine is a collection of evidence-based, practice-informed care maps which connect all the knowledge and services around a clinical condition. The care maps can be customised to reflect local needs and practices by commissioners looking to devise new care pathways.
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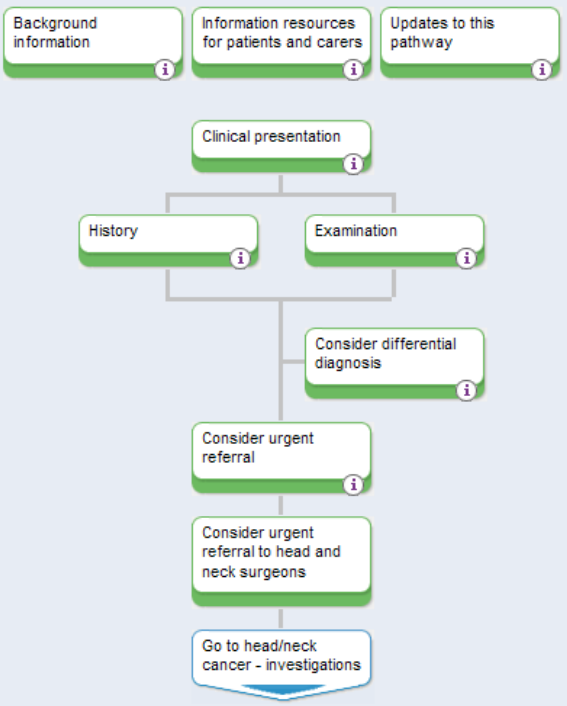
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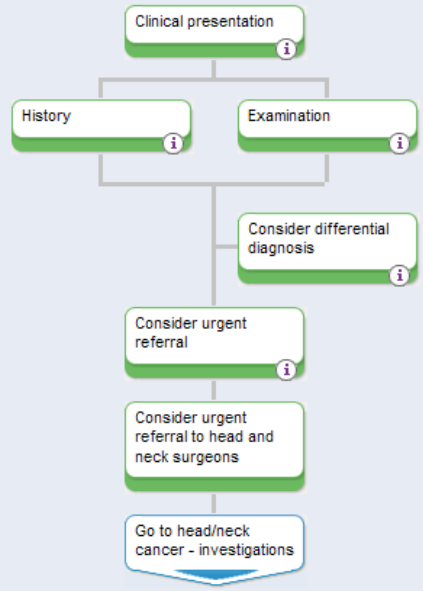
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Background information

Scope:

- the assessment, diagnosis, and management of cancers of the:
 - larynx
 - oral cavity
 - oropharynx
 - hypopharynx
 - nasopharynx
 - nose and sinuses
 - salivary glands
- care in primary and specialist services for all patient groups

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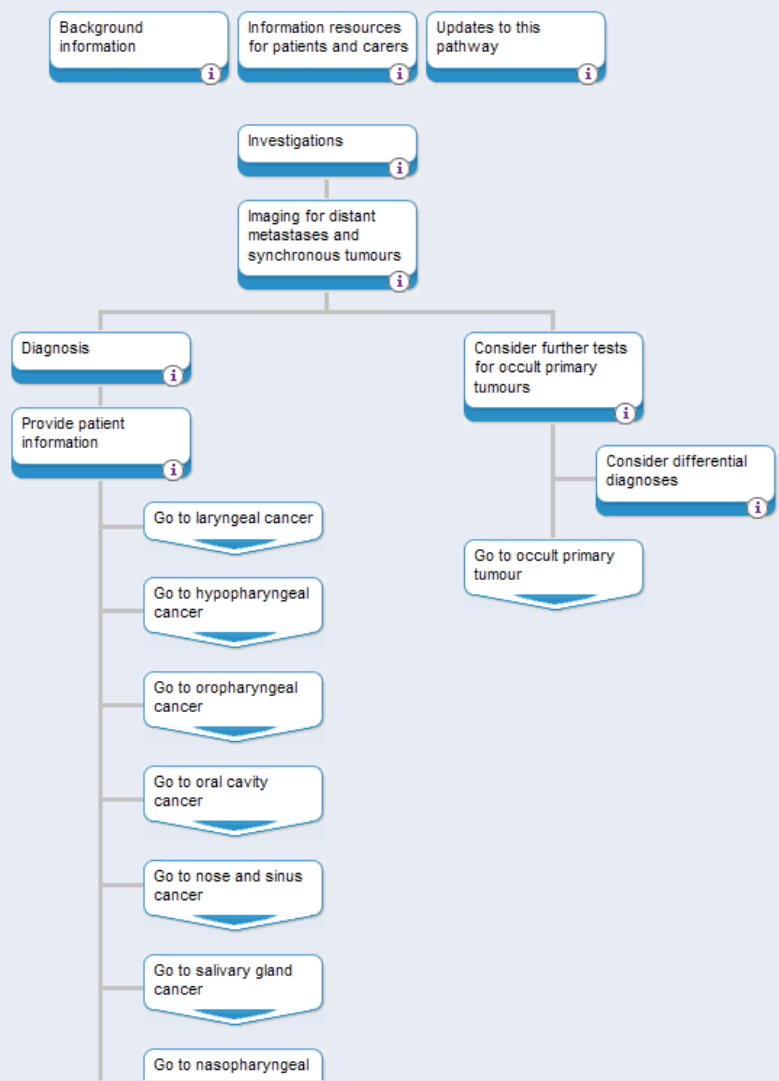
- cancers of the thyroid - see [thyroid cancer](#) pathway

Definitions:

- laryngeal cancer includes tumours of the:
 - supraglottis
 - glottis
 - subglottis

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Laryngeal cancer

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Perform multidisciplinary (MDT) team review

Perform pretreatment assessment

Laryngeal cancer staging

Patient support

Consider treatment choices

Consider lymph node metastasis

Surgical safety

Consider radiotherapy

Consider chemotherapy

Consider palliative treatments

Consider endoscopic surgery

Consider open surgery

Consider modified fractionation

Go to end of life assessment and planning

Prevent and manage side effects

Laryngeal cancer

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Consider open surgery

Open surgery for laryngeal cancer may consist of [4]:

- partial laryngectomy:
 - suitable for more advanced cancers of the supraglottis and vocal cords
 - not in widespread use
- total laryngectomy:
 - suitable for advanced tumours at any site
 - usually includes surgical procedures to help restore voice
- can be combined with neck dissection if there are metastases in the lymph nodes

The main aim of surgery is to excise the area of malignancy completely by ensuring, where possible, that a margin of normal tissue surrounding the tumour is also removed [2,5].

Consider re-resection if [5]:

- inadequate initial excision biopsy has been performed
- the tumour has been excised with positive excision margins

Summary

- Map of medicine provides a pathway of idealised care, which can help target appropriate referral from primary care
- Provides a useful training aid for team members
- Limited by the standardised nature of material
- Increasing specialised clinical input into process

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