CANS | Chelsea Anogenital Neoplasia Service

External referral pathway

Anal HSIL and anal cancer

Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

For tertiary referrals from secondary care outside the Trust. Check the criteria, then follow the arrows.

Refer to CANS | Conditional, or manage locally | Advice and guidance | Outside pathway / not listed

Tertiary referral
Secondary care only

Direct referrals from primary care
Need to be assessed first by local colorectal, gynaecology, dermatology or sexual health/HIV services.

Histological confirmation of anal or perianal cancer: T1 lesions (<2cm), N0 M0 only^

EITHER
- Lesion completely or partially excised
- Lesion still requiring excision

OR

HSIL with suspicion of invasive disease on histology^^

OR

Histological finding of anal canal or perianal HSIL^^

AND ONE OR MORE OF
- Multizonal disease*
- Large volume disease requiring laser ablation
- Not responding to topical treatment of 3 months duration

One or more of the above?

YES → **Refer to CANS**
for further management.

NO → **Do not refer**
Contact CANS if further advice is needed.

CANS can be contacted for advice and guidance on:

- Initiating topical treatment of anal HSIL and the follow up pathway
- Management of T1N0M0 anal SCC
- Anal cancer screening recommendations for high risk patients
- Patient information leaflets

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

^ Any new diagnosis of anal SCC needs to be discussed at the **local colorectal MDT**. Only T1N0M0 can be referred to CANS.

^^ Any new diagnosis of anal HSIL should be discussed at the **local colorectal MDT**. If not possible, these cases can be referred to the **CANS MDT**.

* **Multizonal disease:** HSIL or carcinoma at two or more of perianus, anal canal, vulva, vagina or cervix at the same time.

i **HSIL** is defined as AIN 2 or AIN 3 that is p16 positive.

i **LSIL or warty change:** can be discharged, or treated with 5% imiquimod, laser ablation or excision by the local colorectal service.

Scan for the CANS webpage, referral guidance and patient leaflets

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