

Oncology Diagnostic Assessment Program (DAP)

Referral Criteria and Cheat Sheet

A program coordinated by the Mississauga Halton Central West Regional Cancer Program to provide timely access to patients undergoing a cancer diagnosis for breast, thoracic, rectal or hepato-pancreatic biliary cancers.

| Disease Site | Referral Criteria | Referral Requests |
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| Breast | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men or women 30 years of age or <i>younger</i> with abnormal imaging. Men or women 30 years of age or <i>older</i> with a palpable mass and/or abnormal imaging. Men or women with bloody nipple discharge. Confirmed diagnosis of breast cancer that requires surgery. | All related breast images and reports from prior two years. |
| Hepato-Pancreatic Biliary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abnormal imaging demonstrating any suspicious lesion of the liver, biliary system or pancreas. Confirmed diagnosis of liver, biliary or pancreatic primary cancers or metastasis. | Prefer referral to be sent with triphasic CT images and reports from last two months. If no CT completed, the DAP will arrange all necessary work-up. |
| Thoracic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unexplained symptoms that last for >3weeks such as: coughing, weight loss, shortness of breath, chest/shoulder pain, and/or rough voice. Abnormal chest X-ray or CT demonstrating: mediastinal mass, pulmonary nodules, chest wall tumors, and/or other suggestive imaging of malignancy. Confirmed diagnosis of lung or esophageal cancer and/or malignant pleural effusion. | All related reports and images. |
| Rectal | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmed rectal cancer; or Suspicious mass ≤15 cm from anal verge: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ On rectal exam; ○ On endoscopy; or ○ On imaging report. | All related CT reports and images; consult notes and other pertinent information (blood work, other imaging, etc.). |

Referral forms can be downloaded at: www.mhwcancer.ca/providers under "Diagnostic Toolbox"

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