

MRI eligibility for GP referrals

UNDER 16 years of age:

1. Scan of head for:
 - Unexplained seizure(s)
 - Unexplained headache where significant pathology is suspected
 - Paranasal sinus pathology which has not responded to conservative therapy
2. Scan of spine following radiographic examination for:
 - Significant trauma
 - Unexplained neck or back pain with associated neurological signs
 - Unexplained back pain where significant pathology is suspected
3. Scan of knee.
4. Scan of hip following radiographic examination for:
 - Suspected septic arthritis
 - Suspected slipped capital femoral epiphysis
 - Suspected Perthes disease
5. Scan of elbow following radiographic examination where a significant fracture of avulsion injury is suspected which will change management
6. Scan of wrist following radiographic examination where scaphoid fracture is suspected

OVER 16 years of age

1. Scan of head for:
 - Unexplained seizure(s)
 - Unexplained chronic headache with suspected intracranial pathology
2. Scan of spine for:
 - Suspected cervical radiculopathy
 - Suspected cervical spine trauma
3. Scan of knee following acute trauma with*:
 - Inability to extend the knee suggesting the possibility of acute meniscal tear
 - Clinical findings suggesting acute anterior cruciate ligament tear

*not eligible for patients over 50 years old

Medicare eligibility for GP-referred MRI examinations for PIP implants:

Scan of one or both breasts for the evaluation of implant integrity where patient is known or suspected of having a silicone breast implant, manufactured by Poly Implant Prosthèse (PIP)

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