

CLINICAL POLICY ADVISORY GROUP (CPAG)

NHS Derby and Derbyshire ICB Position Statement: Use of Imaging in the Management of Trochanteric Bursitis/Greater Trochanteric Pain Syndrome (GTPS)

Statement

NHS Derby and Derbyshire ICB has deemed that the use of imaging in the management of trochanteric bursitis/greater trochanteric pain syndrome (GTPS) is not routinely commissioned.

The diagnosis of GTPS is made on clinical grounds and 90% of cases will settle with conservative measures.

Requesting ultrasound or other imaging is not required in primary care, as these do not alter the clinical management of the condition.

Patients who are not responding to conservative measures should be referred to Musculoskeletal Clinical Assessment and Treatment Service (MSK CATS) for further management.

These commissioning intentions will be reviewed periodically. This is to ensure affordability against other services commissioned by the ICB.

References

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