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| **Short clinical details** | **Reason for referral including what you expect to achieve by referring** | **Any non clinical factors?** | **Could anything be done differently?** |
| *67 year old man with inguinal hernia* | *Consideration of operative intervention* | *None really fit and healthy with new presentation of hernia* | *No* |
| *28 year old with mild depression not responding to 6 weeks of fluoxetine* | *Consultation and support possibly from CPN* | *Attended with mother “something must be done” probably would have simply changed anti-depressant otherwise* | *Could have switched anti depressant could have used MIND who provide support* |
| *57 year old man with shortness of breath on exercise no chest pain long term smoker normal ecg and cxr* | *Opinion of chest physician re probable COPD – and suggestions for further treatment* | *Patient concern wanted early referral – even before I had arranged spirometry* | *Could have further investigated with spirometry* |
| *4 year old with eczema – not responding to emollients* | *Paediatric specialist nurse involvement to allay parental worries re use of steroids* | *Mother very reluctant to use even small quantities of low dose steroid* | *Difficult consultation mother really not interested in using steroids could have used tacrolimus but I really do not have the experience with this drug* |
| *86 year old with history of stroke – residual weakness (mild) r leg – preventative treatment already optimised* | *Stroke prevention clinic to access Doppler and CT head* | *No direct access to interventions – interesting issues of when someone is “too old” to investigate* | *Discussed option with patient and daughter – optimal prevention is she really fit for end arterectomy ?* |
| *72 year old with cataracts* | *Cataract surgery* | *None* | *no* |
| *7 year old girl with recurrent tonsillitis* | *ENT opinion on need for surgery* | *Mother keen for surgery – has had 3 episodes of quite severe tonsillitis in last 18 months – I am unsure as to the guidance for tonsilar surgery* | *3 episodes in 18 months does not seem all that much family expectations were high – watchful waiting was an option* |
| *45 year old with breast lump* | *Rapid access breast clinic* | *Necessary referral but obviously very worried patient – seen within 2 weeks – benign changes only* | *No* |
| *76 year old man asthma life long now with mixed asthma COPD picture requesting nebuliser as it had helped greatly in hospital recently* | *Nebuliser assessment* | *We have a nurse led clinic for nebuliser assessment – this is a useful resource* | *No* |
| *74 year old man longstanding OA knee – had injections in past now not responding to injection / NSAID* | *Knee replacement* | *Issues here with waiting times – is to get initial consultation privately but cannot afford private op* | *Have been considering trying Hyalgan – see cross reference under prescribing new drugs* |