

POAC CLINICAL POLICY

Ultrasound to exclude Appendicitis

Please Note: This is not intended as a clinical guideline for management of suspected Appendicitis in Primary Care

Rationale:

Requests have been received for POAC to fund ultrasound investigation for the purpose of excluding acute appendicitis.

Advice has been obtained from Department of Surgery, Middlemore Hospital.

POAC Policy:

POAC will NOT fund an ultrasound for the purpose of excluding appendicitis. Referral to hospital is recommended.