

POAC CLINICAL POLICY

Investigation of suspected Pulmonary Embolism (PE)

A high clinical suspicion of PE requires immediate admission to hospital and should not be investigated in the community.

We acknowledge that a guideline should never dictate clinical management; however our Terms and Conditions preclude funding where patient safety is compromised.

POAC audit processes have identified claims in which patient safety has been potentially compromised and admission to hospital may have been delayed.

Refer Auckland Regional HealthPathways <https://aucklandregion.healthpathways.org.nz/40562.htm>

POAC funding policy

High suspicion of PE should be referred to hospital under General Medicine and will not be funded by POAC.