

# 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 across metro Auckland DHBs,

### POAC Policy:

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