REFERRALS FOR RADIOLOGY IN THE COMMUNITY-Counties District (December 2022, review date December 2023)

Refer directly to radiology provider with ACC number.
POAC may assist by facilitating the arrangement of acutely required DVT appointments.
POAC funding does not apply.

Refer to POAC using Clinically
Urgent Maternity Scan form
on POAC website under
Maternity Referrals (Counties
District only).

If patient unable to self fund,
generate a POAC CMH
Maternity USS Voucher and
include number on the form
to enable funding to apply.
Email signed radiology form
to POAC referral@POAC.co.nz

Forms are here: https://www.poac.co.nz/onli ne-forms/

Patient requires USS/CT acutely (24-48hrs) to avoid YES Is an ACC YES hospital admission or related case? facilitate early discharge and will NO change immediate management. YES Patient is a maternity patient?

Refer to POAC using Hospital Referred Radiology Request form on POAC website. https://www.poac.co.nz/online-forms/

NO

Give patient a signed copy of the form to take with them to the provider

Refer under S88 maternity funding.
Use CMH Maternity USS Voucher on
POAC website if patient unable to
self fund the co-payment.

https://www.poac.co.nz/onlineforms

Is an ACC

related case?

does not apply.

NO

Patient requires
CT

On EDS advise GP
to refer for USS
under Access to
Diagnostics (ATD)
funding.
POAC finding

YES

POAC FUNDING

Urgent or routine investigations are not funded under POAC. The following are standard presentations eligible for POAC. Other services may be available, please call to discuss: (09) 535 7218. See above for process.

DVT Doppler Ultrasound (refer to the DVT pathway); Upper Abdominal Ultrasound (refer to the Gallstones pathway); Testicular Ultrasound (urgent/same day and endorsed by Urology Consultant); CT KUB or Renal Ultrasound (refer to the Renal Colic Pathway); Soft Tissue Ultrasound if required acutely within 24-48 hours and this will change immediate management; Pelvic Ultrasound if required acutely within 24-48 hours and this will change immediate management (refer to Pelvic USS Policy).

See clinical policies and pathways are here: https://www.poac.co.nz/clinical/

MATERNITY FUNDING

All pregnancy-related ultrasounds should be referred under S88 maternity funding. If the patient is unable to self-fund the co-payment and resides in Counties district (or resides in Auckland district - usually Otahuhu/Mt Wellington - but is birthing in Counties), the maternity co-payment voucher applies.

eReferral, POAC

funding does not apply

Is this an obstetric

scan?

Patient requires

USS?

NO

NO

POAC funding is available once the woman is >3 weeks post miscarriage/abortion or >6 weeks post partum.

ACC FUNDING

Injury-related investigations should be accessed through the ACC funding stream.

Refer directly to

radiology provider

with ACC number.

POAC funding does

not apply.

POAC may assist by facilitating acutely required DVT ultrasound appointments however should remain ACC funded.