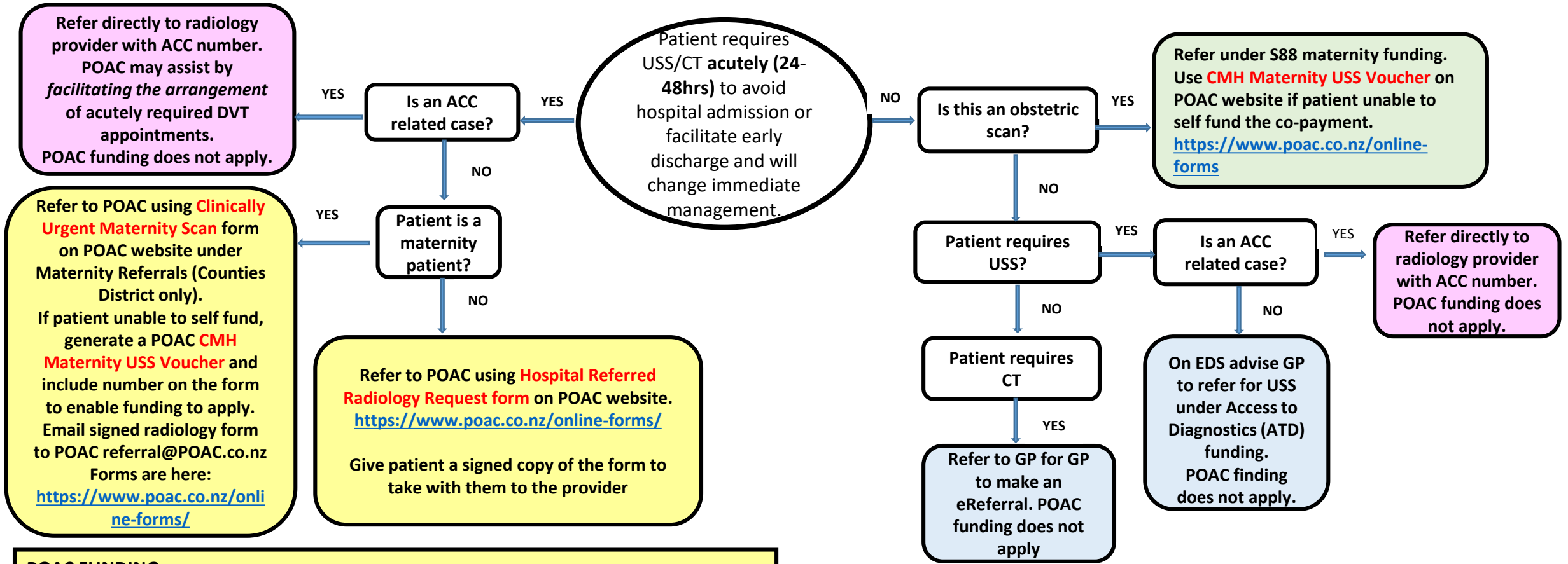


REFERRALS FOR RADIOLOGY IN THE COMMUNITY-Counties District (December 2022, review date December 2023)



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.

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.

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