GATESHEAD SEXUAL HEALTH

Pharmacy – Dual Screening Pathway EHC Gateshead 2023/2024

NHS South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust

Aged 16+

Under 16: Home testing kit/condoms offered alongside EHC Consultation using Fraser Guidelines to assess competency of young person aged 13-16. Patient assessed as Fraser competent continue with issue of dual screening/condom kits. For safeguarding concerns and children under 13 please follow guidance for Gateshead LSCB

www.gatesheadsafeguarding.org.uk/article/9179/

Report-concerns-about-a-child

Home testing kit offered alongside EHC consultation or upon request in store from patients. Inform patient statistically around 70% of females do not experience noticeable symptoms of sexually transmitted infections and around 50% of men do not experience noticeable symptoms. Please inform service user the test screens for both Chlamydia & Gonorrhoea: Pharmacy sites can also establish collection points in service for patients to self-collect kits from designated areas on site as part of healthy living pharmacy for ages 16+ (Promotional resources to advertise will be provided by Gateshead Sexual Health).

Patient accepts offer of chlamydia & gonorrhoea postal pack. Pharmacist to support patient on how to complete and issue kit for patient to take of site and complete. Pharmacist to log issue at the end of the PharmOutcomes Template by selecting **YES** under the Chlamydia Test supplied section. Supplement paid to each pharmacy following completion of dual screening template.

Patient follows instruction sheet included, completes demographic form including name, address & telephone number and indicates how they wish to receive results (TEXT or LETTER.)

Provide urine sample in universal container & enclose in postal transport case. Completed demographic form and sample inserted in to 1st class **FREE** post biological envelope included.

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Patient will be provided **NEGATIVE** result within **8 working days** as per UKHSA guidelines by Gateshead Sexual Health Advisors.

Negative Text Message Example
(The results of your recent health check are clear).

Patient will be provided **POSITIVE** result within **8 working days** as per UKHSA guidelines by Gateshead Sexual Health Advisors. Text message/letter sent prompting patient to call Sexual Health Advisors direct line (non-public number). Telephone consultation with patient includes invitation/appointment to attend Sexual Health Service for treatment, partner notification and full screen.

Positive Text Message Example
(We have an important health care related message for you. Please ring the results line on…… Thank You).

Patient attends Sexual Health Service for treatment and partner management and offer of **FULL STI SCREEN**. Sexual health advisors to follow up and manage patient care.

For service users attending EHC that require further sexual health care including LARC: Please refer direct to Gateshead Sexual Health by emailing the secure referral inbox: **stsft.sexualhealthreferrals@nhs.net** or contact by telephone **0191 283 1577** or visit **www.gatesheadsexualhealth.co.uk** for further details.