

**eREFERRAL QUICK REFERENCE:**  
**Advice Request – Reasons for Referral**

The following is a list of specialties and reasons for referral that can be used to help you complete the **Reason for Referral** field when you create an advice request.

Specialty	Reason For Referral	Zone
Addiction and M H – Addiction Medicine	Opiate agonist therapy	All Zones
Family Medicine – Transgender Care	Transgender health general consultation	All Zones
Internal Med – Adult Gastroenterology	Adult gastroenterology issue	All Zones
Internal Med – Adult Gastroenterology	Colon cancer screening	Edmonton, North
Internal Med – Adult Gastroenterology	Hepatology issue	Edmonton, North, South
Internal Med – Cardiology	Cardiology issue	Calgary, Central
Internal Med – Endocrinology	Diabetes	Calgary
Internal Med – Endocrinology	Endocrinology issue	Calgary
Internal Med – General Internal Med	Medical issue	Calgary
Internal Med – Infectious Disease	Infectious disease issue	Edmonton
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Pulmonary issue	Calgary
Nephrology	Acute kidney injury	Calgary, Edmonton
Nephrology	Chronic kidney disease	Calgary, Edmonton
Nephrology	Kidney stone chronic (non-obstructing)	Calgary, Edmonton
Nephrology	Electrolyte abnormalities	Calgary, Edmonton
Nephrology	Hematuria microscopic (greater than 3 rbc/hpf)	Calgary, Edmonton
Nephrology	Nephrology issue	Calgary, Edmonton
Nephrology	Proteinuria	Calgary, Edmonton
Neuro Surgery – Spinal Neurosurgery	Neurosurgery procedure	Calgary
Neurology	Neurology issue	Calgary

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OBS-GYN	Colposcopy procedure	Calgary
OBS-GYN	Gynecological issue	Calgary
OBS-GYN	High risk obstetrics	Calgary
OBS-GYN	Pelvic floor issue	Calgary
OBS-GYN	Obstetrical issue	Calgary
OBS-GYN – Maternal Fetal Medicine	Maternal fetal medicine issue	Edmonton
OBS-GYN – Urogynecology	Urogynecology issue	Edmonton
Ophthalmology	Ophthalmology issue	All Zones
Ophthalmology	Paeds ophthalmology issue	All Zones
Orthopaedic Surgery	Shoulder issue	Provincial
Otolaryngology	Otolaryngology issue	Calgary, Central
Otolaryngology	Paeds otolaryngology issue	Calgary
Pain Medicine – Chronic Pain Med	Chronic pain issue	Calgary
Palliative Care – Palliative Medicine	Palliative medicine issue	Calgary
Paediatrics – Community Paediatrics	Paediatric medical issue	Calgary
Paediatrics – Community Paediatrics	Paediatric behavioural finding	Calgary
Paediatrics – Gastroenterology	Paediatric gastroenterology issue	Edmonton
Psychiatry – Child and Adolescent	Child and adolescent psychiatric health issue	Calgary, Central, Edmonton, South
Surgery – General Surgery	Breast health issue	Calgary
Surgery – General Surgery	Benign breast tumor issue	Edmonton
Surgery – General Surgery	Colorectal issue	Edmonton
Surgery – General Surgery	Gallbladder issue	Edmonton
Surgery – General Surgery	Hernia issue	Edmonton
Surgery – General Surgery	Suspected breast cancer issue	Edmonton
Surgery – General Surgery	Suspected gastrointestinal cancer issue	Edmonton
Surgery – General Surgery	Other general surgery issue	Edmonton
Urology	Urology issue	Central, Edmonton

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### Consult Request – Reasons for Referral

The following is a list of specialties and reasons for referral that can be used to help you complete the **Reason for Referral** field when you create a consult request.

For example, if you wish to create a consult request for a patient experiencing knee pain, you could enter the search word "knee" or "pain" into the **Reason for Referral** field. All of the reasons for referral containing the search word will be presented for selection.

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Internal Med – Adult Gastroenterology	Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) positive finding	Edmonton
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Asthma consult	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Asthma education	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Bronchiectasis	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Chronic cough	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	COPD consult	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	COPD education	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Dyspnea (shortness of breath)	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Hemoptysis	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Hypoxemia	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	ILD – interstitial lung disease (pulmonary fibrosis)	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Lung transplant assessment	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Lymphadenopathy (hilar/mediastinal)	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Neuromuscular related respiratory disorder	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Pleural disease	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Pleural effusion	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Pulmonary embolism (chronic)	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Pulmonary hypertension suspected (includes known)	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Pulmonary rehabilitation	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Respiratory infection	Calgary

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Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Sarcoidosis	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine	Tobacco cessation	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine– IPM	Bronchoscopic airway debulking (laser, electrocautery, cryotherapy)	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine– IPM	Bronchoscopic airway stent placement	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine– IPM	Asthma thermoplasty	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine– IPM	Endobronchial ultrasound	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine– IPM	Navigation bronchoscopy	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine– IPM	Rigid bronchoscopy	Calgary
Internal Med – Pulmonary Medicine– IPM	Tracheobronchial stenosis (large airway obstruction / benign airway stenosis / malignant airway obstruction)	Calgary
Internal Med – Sleep Medicine	Sleep apnea	Calgary
Internal Med – Sleep Medicine	CPAP / BPAP / oxygen funding (as required by government funding agency)	Calgary
Internal Med – Sleep Medicine	Insomnia	Calgary
Internal Med – Sleep Medicine	Excessive daytime sleepiness	Calgary
Internal Med – Sleep Medicine	Abnormal behaviours during sleep	Calgary
Internal Med (Tuberculosis Services)	Active tuberculosis disease (TB)	Calgary
Internal Med (Tuberculosis Services)	Latent tuberculosis infection	Calgary
Internal Med (Tuberculosis Services)	Sputum induction testing	Calgary
Nephrology	Acute nephrotic syndrome	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	eGFR < 15 mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup>	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	eGFR < 30 mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup>	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	eGFR declining over weeks to months plus hematuria and/ or albuminuria	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	Hereditary kidney disease	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	Hypertension refractory to treatment with 4 or more antihypertensive agents	Central, Edmonton, North

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Nephrology	Persistent albuminuria (ACR > 60 mg/mmol) - confirmed on repeat testing (2 out of 3 samples) within 2-4 weeks	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	Persistent electrolyte abnormalities	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	Persistent hematuria – confirmed on repeat testing (2 out of 3 samples) within 2 - 4 weeks	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	Rapid decline in eGFR over days to weeks	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	Recurrent or extensive nephrolithiasis	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	Suspected glomerulonephritis	Central, Edmonton, North
Nephrology	Unexplained decline in eGFR greater than or equal to 5 mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> that occurs over 6 months	Central, Edmonton, North
<b>Oncology – Breast Cancer</b>		
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Ductal carcinoma in situ - post segmental resection breast cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Locally advanced breast cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Lymphangitic carcinomatosis (symptomatic) breast cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Metastases asymptomatic breast cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Metastases bone (symptomatic)	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Metastases brain	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Metastases visceral (symptomatic +/- life-threatening) breast cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Node negative breast cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Node positive breast cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Breast Cancer	Superior vena cava obstruction	All Zones
<b>Oncology – Lung Cancer</b>		
Oncology – Lung Cancer	Mesothelioma	All Zones
Oncology – Lung Cancer	Metastases bone (symptomatic)	All Zones
Oncology – Lung Cancer	Metastases brain	All Zones
Oncology – Lung Cancer	Non small cell lung cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Lung Cancer	Small cell lung cancer	All Zones
Oncology – Lung Cancer	Superior vena cava obstruction	All Zones
Oncology – Lung Cancer	Thymoma / thymic cancer	All Zones
<b>Orthopaedic Surgery</b>		
Orthopaedic Surgery	Benign bone tumor	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Hip pain	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Idiopathic avascular necrosis	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Inflammatory arthritis	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Knee joint valgus deformity (finding)	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South

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Orthopaedic Surgery	Knee joint - varus deformity (finding)	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Knee pain	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Leg length inequality (finding)	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Legg-Calve-Perthes disease	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Loose body in joint	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Osteoarthritis of hip	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Osteoarthritis of knee	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Osteonecrosis	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Prosthetic joint infection	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Toxic effect of metal	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
Orthopaedic Surgery	Traumatic arthritis	Calgary, Edmonton, North, South
<b>Surgery – General Surgery</b>		
Surgery – General Surgery	Abnormal findings on breast exam	Calgary
Surgery – General Surgery	Abnormal findings on diagnostic imaging	Calgary
Surgery – General Surgery	Benign findings on diagnostic imaging	Calgary
Surgery – General Surgery	Breast cancer invasive	Calgary
Surgery – General Surgery	Ductal carcinoma in SITU (DCIS)	Calgary
Surgery – General Surgery	High risk lesion found on breast biopsy	Calgary
Surgery – General Surgery	Increased risk of breast cancer	Calgary
Surgery – General Surgery	Suspicious abnormality found on breast exam	Calgary
<b>Urology</b>		
Urology	Balanitis	Edmonton
Urology	BPH (Benign prostatic hyperplasia)	Edmonton
Urology	Kidney stone chronic (non-obstructing)	Edmonton
Urology	Cystocele	Edmonton
Urology	Erectile dysfunction	Edmonton
Urology	Female voiding dysfunction	Edmonton
Urology	Hematuria microscopic (greater than 3 rbc/hpf)	Edmonton
Urology	Hydrocele	Edmonton
Urology	Incontinence	Edmonton
Urology	Lower urinary tract symptoms (LUTS)	Edmonton
Urology	Male infertility	Edmonton
Urology	Male sexual dysfunction	Edmonton
Urology	Pelvic organ prolapse	Edmonton
Urology	Peyronies Disease	Edmonton
Urology	Phimosis	Edmonton
Urology	Spermatocele	Edmonton

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Urology	Testicular pain chronic (non - STD)	Edmonton
Urology	Urinary tract infection	Edmonton
Urology	Varicocele	Edmonton
Urology	Vasectomy	Edmonton
Urology	Vasectomy reversal	Edmonton