Flow Chart: Patient pathway Direct GP Access Spirometry +/- Reversibility Service

The Spirometry+/- reversibility service is available to all adults (Patients aged >16 years) regardless of their GMS status (public or private patient) who also fulfil one or more of the criteria below.

DIAGNOSIS

One appointment to include spirometry +/- reversibility testing may be arranged to confirm diagnosis if adult patient presents to GP practice with new onset symptoms suggestive of COPD or Asthma

OR

Confirmatory Spirometry

One appointment to include spirometry +/- reversibility testing will be facilitated per CDM Programme GP registration visit for COPD or Asthma, *but only if specifically clinically indicated* to A) confirm previous clinical diagnosis *where spirometry not previously performed or* B) to clarify previous *uncertain* original spirometry-based diagnosis

GP assessment shows patient fulfils criteria, GP feels spirometry +/- reversibility is clinically indicated for further investigation of suspected/previously diagnosed COPD/asthma

GP Refers: GP refers patient to the direct GP access spirometry service in line with local protocol.

Physiologist reviews & accepts the referral.

Diagnostic Administrative Staff arrange appointment and contacts the patients.

Diagnostic Administrative Staff provide patient information leaflet to the patient with the appointment letter.

Physiologist performs respiratory / history questionnaire assessment:

- CAT & mMRC or ACT questionnaires completed as appropriate
- Check for contraindications

Physiologist performs spirometry +/- reversibility as appropriate according to ATS/ERS 2019 guidelines

Physiologist interpretation/clinical decision/further referrals

- **Physiologist** reviews and reports results & sends the report to GP as per local protocol.
- **Physiologist** liaises with the Consultant and/or HCPs regarding onward referral to other services provided by the ambulatory care hub and/or PFT Laboratory if clinically indicated.

Physiology manager or delegate returns the required metrics to the Office of the ECC on a monthly basis

Patient does not consent to Spirometry

Diagnostic Administrative Staff documents & returns referral letter to GP

Patient does not attend appointment x 1 / or cancels x 2

Diagnostic Administrative Staff documents & returns referral letter outlining DNA x1 or cancelled x2 to GP