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Urgent direct access (within 2 weeks) for upper gastrointestinal endoscopy

Dysphagia
Aged 55 or over with weight loss and any of the following:

Upper abdominal painRefluxDvspepsia

Consider non-urgent direct access for upper gastrointestinal endoscopy for:

Episode of haematemesisAged 55 or over with:

Treatment-resistant dyspepsia
Upper abdominal pain with low haemoglobin levels
Raised platelet count with any of the following:
nausea, vomiting, weight loss, reflux, dyspepsia, upper abdominal pain or

Nausea or vomiting with any of the following:
weight loss, reflux, dyspepsia, upper abdominal pain