

CAUDA EQUINA PATHWAY

We realise the process of identifying a patient with CES can appear daunting and following the pathway can appear complex. This Infographic breaks down the process, making it easier to understand and follow with embedded links ([red writing or images](#)) to relevant paperwork. Onwards referral does not need to be agreed by the Low Back Pain APP's.

Identify a patient with suspected CES

Within ACN :
Patient Assessments - Other Actions:
Add MSK Cauda Equina
Complete [CES Proforma](#) on ACN



Possible CES (regardless of timeframe)

Call Ortho Reg *
(see sending patient to A&E [guide](#))

Complete CES Canned text [letter](#) on TrakCare, authorise & print copy for patient to take to A&E.

If urgent rather than emergency referral is advised, please arrange urgent referral to Orthopaedics via GP

CES Unlikely

Patient requires monitoring, teach back and warning signs [leaflet](#)



More comprehensive reading can be found [here](#)

Contact list Back Pain [team](#)

