

<b>Pathway:</b>	Referral for Nerve Conduction Studies
<b>Referral Criteria/Commissioning position:</b>	
<i>These investigations are not commissioned for access from Primary Care. If in doubt, advice and guidance from neurology may be sought</i>	
<b>Investigations prior to referral</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>	
<b>Information to include in referral letter:</b>	
<i>The GP referral letter should contain:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A</li> </ul>	
<b>References &amp; Additional information:</b>	
<p><b>References</b></p> <p><a href="#">Bady, B. and Vial, C. (1996) Critical study of electrophysiologic techniques for exploration of carpal tunnel syndrome Neurophysiol Clin. 1996;26(4):183-201.</a></p> <p><a href="#">Carter, T, Jordan, R and Cummins, C (2000) Electrodiagnostic techniques in the pre-surgical assessment of patients with carpal tunnel syndrome. West Midlands Development and Evaluation Service Report.</a></p> <p>Jablecki, C.K.; Andary, M.T.; So, Y.T.; Wilkins, D.E. and Williams, F.H. (1993)</p> <p><a href="#">Literature review of the usefulness of nerve conduction studies and electromyography for the evaluation of patients with carpal tunnel syndrome. AAEM Quality Assurance Committee. Muscle Nerve. 1993 Dec;16(12):1392-414.</a></p> <p><a href="#">Jarvik, Jeffrey G.; Yuen, Eric and Kriet, Michael (2004) Diagnosis of carpal tunnel syndrome: electrodiagnostic and MR imaging evaluation. Neuroimaging Clin N Am. 2004 Feb;14(1):93-102, viii.</a></p> <p><a href="#">Kilmer, D.D and Davis, B.A. (2002) Electrodiagnosis in carpal tunnel syndrome. Hand Clin. 2002 May;18(2):243-55.</a></p> <p>Wilder-Smith, Einar P.; Seet, Raymond C.S. and Lim, Erle C.H. (2006)</p> <p><a href="#">Diagnosing carpal tunnel syndrome--clinical criteria and ancillary tests. Nat Clin Pract Neurol. 2006 Jul;2(7):366-74.</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.gp-training.net">www.gp-training.net</a> – on right hand side ‘Doctors’ click ‘protocols’ then ‘orthopaedics’ then ‘orthopaedic referral guidelines’</p> <p><a href="#">NHS Scotland National Patient Pathways 2005: Orthopaedics; Hand conditions.</a></p> <p>New Zealand Ministry of Health National Referral Guidelines 2001: Orthopaedics</p>	
<b>CCG GP sign off:</b>	SRCCG Business Committee (Delegated to Dr Greg Black)
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