**Medium to high probability of GCA** based on symptoms, signs and a high ESR / CRP for which other causes of have been excluded.

**Discuss** temporal artery biopsy **with duty rheumatologist** (or the APU Consultant on duty if rheumatologist is unavailable) – via switchboard 07 579 8044

GP MUST note on ereferral which SMO was spoken to

Patient gets reviewed in Rheumatology Clinic within 2 weeks of TAB

Patient gets seen at Tauranga Hospital for TAB the following Wednesday morning

**Send ereferral via BPAC** (‘temporal artery biopsy’) + **start on prednisone**

**Print Patient Info Sheet** for patient (access on BayNav or via front page of BPAC referral)

**Yes**

Consider other causes of symptoms / high CRP

**No**

For temporal artery biopsy?