

The Genetic Health Service New Zealand (GHSNZ) – Northern Hub is one of the 3 hubs within the Genetic Service in New Zealand. An important function of the service is to provide up-to-date information about rare disorders in a manner that can be easily understood, and to provide interpretation of tests and clinical information to health professionals. The scope of our service includes preconceptual, prenatal, pediatric and adult onset disorders including cancer.

Patients are referred to the Genetics Clinics if:-

- a child is born with several abnormalities
- there is a personal or family history of a genetic condition
- a family member diagnosed with cancer at a young age
- personal or family history of cancer consistent with referral guidelines which can be discussed with your GP or specialist

Referral Criteria for Referrers

- Please include the standard referral information as outlined below
 - Patient Details – full names, **correct and current address, a valid contact number**, date of birth, eligibility status and an NHI number
 - Clinical Details – reason for referral, past history and co-morbidities
 - Referrer Details – name, address and contact numbers of referrers.
- For those who are at a risk of having a cancer syndrome, please include the following in the referral
 - Names, dates of birth and age at diagnosis of those relatives with cancer, with details of types of cancer diagnosed.
 - A consent to release information form (available from website below)
 - A Family Health Questionnaire

For more information, please contact Genetic Services NZ Helpdesk at Auckland City Hospital on 09 3074949 extension 25870, or via email to gensec@adhb.govt.nz

Alternatively, please log in to our healthpoint website on <http://www.healthpoint.co.nz/public/genetics/genetic-health-service-nz-northern-hub/>