## NICE: SUSPECTED CANCER RECOGNITION AND REFERRAL SYMPTOM REFERENCE GUIDE

### Key
- **CXR** = chest X-ray
- **CT/MRI** = computed tomography/magnetic resonance imaging
- **USS** = ultrasound
- **CA-125** = cancer antigen 125
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- **NCCN** = National Comprehensive Cancer Network
- **ACOG** = American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology
- **ECOG** = Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group
- **ESR** = erythrocyte sedimentation rate
- **PV** = protein electrophoresis
- **PVDF** = polyvinylidene fluoride
- **SUSPICIOUS CANCER** = Cancer Research UK
- **suspected** = suspected cancer
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### Symptoms

#### Non-Specific Symptoms

- **APPETITE LOSS**
  - Unexplained
  - Consider: lung, upper GI, CRC, pancreatic, unexplained

- **Fatigue**
  - Ever smoked/alkohol exposure 40+
  - With cough/fatigue/SOB/chest pain/wgt loss 40+

#### Respiratory

- **Cystic infection (persistent) 40+**
  - Unexplained 40+ ever smoked/alcohol exposure

#### Urological

- **Unexplained non-visible haematuria with dysuria 60+**
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### Gynaecological

- **Cervix - cancerous appearance**
  - Unexplained

### Chilled and Young People

- **Night sweats**
  - With lymphadenopathy/splenomegaly

### Abdominal Symptoms

- **Hepatosplenomegaly**
  - Abdominal mass or cramping abdominal pain

### Skin

- **Lip/Oral cavity**
  - Lumps/Swollen nodes

### Pain

- **Back**
  - With weight loss 60+
  - Pain (persistent) 60+

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