

Dear Consultant

While we appreciate the detailed recommendations, the workload suggested in your reply is beyond the capacity of our practice to manage effectively within the constraints of our current resources.

Furthermore, we are not currently in a position to undertake additional specialist detailed imaging including use of a dermatoscope, or to be able to prescribe specialist “amber” drugs outside of an appropriately agreed shared care arrangement, or to act as a proxy for specialist review to reassess response to treatment.

Given the complexity and extent of the care required, we believe it would be in the best interest of the patient for them to be seen directly in a clinic appointment. This will ensure that they receive the specialised attention and timely intervention necessary for their presentation.

We kindly request that you convert the advice and guidance provided into a formal referral to a local face to face Dermatology provider via existing referral pathways, incorporating patient choice based on the complexity of their need and current waiting times of these services, to undertake these activities at your earliest convenience. This will not only alleviate the pressure on our practice but also ensure that the patient receives the most appropriate and effective care.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,