

“ Getting the right image for my patient ”

A toolkit for referrers



The campaign stages a consultation situation between referrer and patient. It sets out 7 key questions the referrer should ask when referring for an imaging examination. It highlights what is in the interest of the patient, along with some simple reflections and arguments that can be readily put forward during the consultation.

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If I have already made a diagnosis, what is the added value of a radiological examination?



Should my patient have another radiological examination if one has been done recently?



Should I refer my patient for an X-ray or CT if another examination can be done that does not use ionising radiation?



Is my patient aware that a CT is not without risk?



How can I ensure that my patient receives the most appropriate imaging examination?



Why is it important to ask if pregnancy is a possibility?



What should I consider before referring a child for an imaging examination?

Find the answers to these questions on www.herca.org to help you request the appropriate imaging examination for your patient.



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