



The **General Surgery Clinic** has established the following standardized criteria for referrals. To avoid delay in appointment scheduling, please ensure that all supporting information for the pre-determined outcome and/or condition is included with the Outpatient Referral Form **prior** to requesting the referral. Please mark the appropriate box(s) as indicated.

**Note:** This clinic does not perform dermatology services including the biopsy of skin lesions. We are only able to see patients who actually have malignant lesions which need surgical treatment. Please perform a punch biopsy for all skin lesions. Two or 3 mm punch biopsies do not require a suture, only a steri strip or band aid. Refer patients with biopsy proven malignant lesions only.

**1. General Surgery does not see patient referred for the following diagnosis:**

- Skin Tags
- Skin Rash, Dermatitis
- Asymptomatic Cholelithiasis/Gallstones

**2. Abdominal Pain**

- CBC with differential, Chemistry Panel, Liver function tests
- Physical Exam including Digital Rectal Exam (DRE)
- Abdomen/Pelvis CT scan

**3. Hemorrhoids without Bleeding**

- Physical Exam including Digital Rectal Exam (DRE)
- Prior history of Hemorrhoids or Failed Medical Management

**4. Hemorrhoids with Bleeding**

- CBC, PT/INR
- Physical Exam including Digital Rectal Exam (DRE)
- Colonoscopy or Barium Enema

**5. Rectal Bleeding**

- GI Consult (not seen in General Surgery Clinic)