## WHAT IS ‘DIRECT ACCESS’ ENDOSCOPY?

Our aim is to provide assistance to your patients in understanding 'Direct Access' Endoscopy, and who would be suitable for this procedure.

Direct Access is a service provided by Glen Iris Private that aims to reduce wait times for quick access to a procedure with our reputable gastroenterologists and colorectal surgeons that participate in 'Direct Access' Endoscopy.

Your practice may refer a patient for direct access for a colonoscopy or gastroscopy, meaning the patient does not require a consultation with a specialist first.

## Direct Access Suitability

Direct Access Endoscopy is most suitable for patients with a definite indication, such as:

- A positive FOBT
- Polyp surveillance
- Rectal bleeding
- Unexplained change in bowel habits
- Family history CRC
- Reflux symptoms
- Dyspepsia
- Upper abdominal pain
- Dysphagia / Odynophagia
- Follow up screening for Barrett's or Coeliac disease


## Direct Access Exclusions

Not all patients are suitable for open access. For patients with significant comorbidities or elderly patients with multiple comorbidities, a consultation with a specialist prior to colonoscopy may be considered by the GP at the practice. It is often helpful for elderly patients to understand the risks and benefits of having this investigation performed.

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- Dr Ashley Bloom
- Dr Chris Desmond
- A/Prof Antony Friedman
- Dr Simon Hew
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## 4 SIMPLE REFERRAL STEPS VIA HEALTHLINK

## Make E-Referrals to Glen Iris Private Easy

Quick \& Simple Healthlink ID: gipendos
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## Your Quick Guide

Access SR in your EMR via HealthLink Forms

To open in Best Practice


Open SR: View > HealthLink Forms Or from HL icon in your Letter Writer

To open in Medical Director


From your HealthLink tab click the New Form icon


Click on SR logo

## 4 Simple Referral Steps

(1) Search by Name or by category and suburb/ postcode.

(3) Complete easy pre-populated form - enter reason for referral, select consult notes, add attachments ...

(2) Select specialist and preferred location.

You can choose from both e-refer and manual refer (fax) locations.

(4) Submit form, see e-refer delivery status immediately or print manual referral. The referral will be stored in the letters tab (MD) or correspondence out section (BP). Print referral and hand to patient.


