

WHAT IS 'DIRECT ACCESS' COLONOSCOPY?

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

Direct Access is a service provided by Dee Why Endoscopy Unit that aims to reduce wait times for quick access to a procedure with our reputable gastroenterologist and colorectal surgeons that participate in 'Direct Access' Colonoscopy.

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

Direct Access Suitability

Direct Access Colonoscopy is most suitable for patients with a definite indication for colonoscopy, 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.

Participating Specialists:

- Dr Margaret Leach - Gastroenterologist
- Dr Michele Macnamara - Gastroenterologist
- Dr Stuart Pincott - Colorectal Surgeon
- Dr Keith Tish - Gastroenterologist

4 SIMPLE REFERRAL STEPS VIA HEALTHLINK

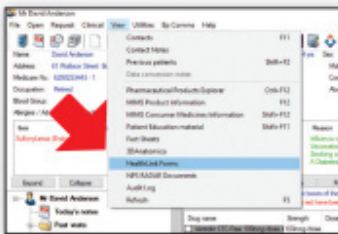
Make E-Referrals to Dee Why Endoscopy Unit Easy

- + Quick & Simple
- + Healthlink ID: deeyendo
- + Professional
- + Loved by GPs

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



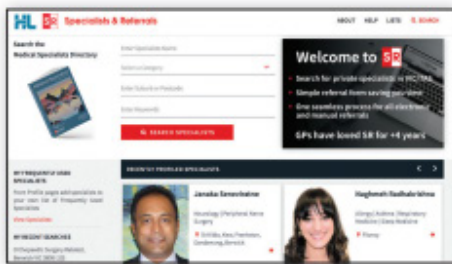
From your HealthLink tab click the
New Form icon



Click on SR logo

4 Simple Referral Steps

- 1 **Search** by Name or by category and suburb/postcode.
- 2 **Select** specialist and preferred location. You can choose from both e-refer and manual refer (fax) locations.
- 3 **Complete** easy pre-populated form – enter reason for referral, select consult notes, add attachments ...
- 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.



Give it a go!
You can send a
test referral to the
specialist
Mickey Mouse

Making easy
E-referrals:



Quick guide to
E-referrals:

