From 1 November 2012, GP's are able to refer for the following MRI item numbers. These items are for children UNDER the age of 16 years.



## MRI REQUESTING RIGHTS FOR GPs

(Under 16 Years)

Itana Numban	Description
Item Number	Description
63507 <b>HEAD</b>	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>head</b> for any of the following:  • unexplained seizure(s)  • unexplained headache where significant pathology is suspected  • paranasal sinus pathology which has not responded to conservative therapy
63510 SPINE	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>spine</b> <i>following radiographic examination</i> for any or the following:  • significant trauma  • unexplained neck or back pain with associated neurological signs  • unexplained back pain where significant pathology is suspected
63513 <b>KNEE</b>	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>knee</b>
63516 HIP	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>hip</b> following radiographic examination for any of the following:  • suspected septic arthritis  • suspected slipped capital femoral epiphysis  • suspected Perthes disease
63519 ELBOW	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>elbow</b> <i>following radiographic examination</i> where a significant fracture or avulsion injury is suspected that will change management
63522 <b>WRIST</b>	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>wrist</b> <i>following radiographic examination</i> where scaphoid fracture is suspected

From 1 November 2013, GP's are able to refer for the following MRI item numbers.

These items are for adults OVER the age of 16 years.



## MRI REQUESTING RIGHTS FOR GPs

(16 Years and Above)

Item Number	Description
63551 <b>HEAD</b>	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>head</b> for a patient 16 years or older for any of the following:  • unexplained seizure(s)  • unexplained chronic headache with suspected intracranial pathology
63554 CERVICAL SPINE	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>spine</b> for a patient 16 years or older for suspected:  • cervical radiculopathy
63557 CERVICAL SPINE	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant physician) for a scan of <b>spine</b> for a patient 16 years or older for suspected:  • cervical spine trauma

## MRI REQUESTING RIGHTS FOR GPs

(16 Years to 50 Years)

63561	referral by a medical practitioner (excluding a specialist or consultant
KNEE	physician) for a scan of <b>knee</b> following acute knee trauma for a patient
	16 years or older with:
	<ul> <li>inability to extend the knee suggesting the possibility of acute meniscal tear</li> </ul>
	clinical findings suggesting acute anterior cruciate ligament tear