

HULL & ERY PAEDIATRIC PHLEBOTOMY PATHWAY & CRITERIA (UPDATED Jan 2026)

Primary Care	Secondary Care (HUTH)	Children's Community Nursing Service (CHCP)
Criteria	Criteria	Criteria
<p>April 2025. Primary Care Phlebotomy LES - Age 12 years +. Prior to referral, please consider whether your Practice or Primary Care Network can perform this blood test.</p> <p>Non Urgent - Results needed as per individual practice timescales.</p>	<p>URGENT - Results needed within 2 - 4 weeks. (Practitioner to discuss with referrer (Primary Care/CHCP) and/or Paediatric Registrar if appropriate).</p> <p>TIME SENSITIVE delivery to labs required (e.g. fasting bloods, ammonia, lactate).</p> <p>ALL Babies Age 0 - 3 months. Age 3 months - 12 years IF URGENT (results required within 4 wks).</p> <p>Age 12 - 17 years. IF URGENT + Send/Phobia/Mental Health (results required within 4 wks).</p> <p>Failed attempt by CCN Service (CHCP).</p>	<p>Non Urgent - Results needed within 4 - 6 weeks.</p> <p>Age 3 months to 12 years.</p> <p>Age 12 - 18 yrs - IF SEND, Phobia/Mental Health (as specified on Section 2 of Referral Form).</p>

1. Blood test needed

2. Review all criteria and considerations based on clinical presentation, personalised needs and blood test requirements

<p>3a. Emergency (red flags): CYP with Red Flag symptoms GP/Clinician must contact on-call Paediatric Medical Registrar to agree course of action. This referral form is not required.</p>	<p>3b. Blood test needed within 2 - 4 weeks Paediatric Outpatients Phlebotomy Clinic (HUTH)</p>	<p>3c. Blood test needed within 4 - 6 weeks: Community Paediatric Phlebotomy Clinic (CHCP) or CYP home/school if deemed appropriate by service triage.</p>
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4. GP/Clinician requesting blood test to prescribe Emla Cream and Tagaderm and provide information to parent/carer and young person **(FOR COMMUNITY PHLEBOTOMY ONLY)**

5. GP/Clinician to refer to HUTH or CHCP dependant on criteria, stating clinical requirement for phlebotomy and timescale required (Single Referral Form)

6. HUTH / CHCP - Blood results to referring clinician/GP

Considerations		
<p>*Red Flags = EMERGENCY</p> <p>Examples include but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suspect Cancer Enlarged Lymph Nodes Sepsis Meningitis Diabetes (as per HUTHT paediatric diabetes pathway) 	<p>** Personalised Care (Individual basis)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEND Mental Health/Emotional Wellbeing LD /Neurodivergent Needle phobia Requires clinical hold Requires interpreter 	<p>*** Shared Care: Known to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secondary care/consultant, CAMHS, Neurodiversity, Eating Disorder or Children's Community Nursing Service (CCNS)