

Humboldt County Referral Form – Specialty Guidelines

Providence Ear, Nose & Throat: Fortuna and Eureka

- Please ask your patient to contact us in one week to schedule the appointment.
- **Fax referral to: 707-298-2114**

Reason for Referral (Clinical Question)	“Required” Clinical Testing & Documentation	“Preferred” Additional Clinical Testing & Documentation
EAR		
All ear-related diagnosis	Audiogram and tympanogram	
Otitis Media, Recurrent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3+ ear infections requiring antibiotics/6 mos OR • 6+ ear infections requiring antibiotics/12 mos 	Audiogram & tympanogram
Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss	Mark EMERGENT *** (Speak to our on call physician to expedite the referral.)	Audiogram & tympanogram
NOSE		
Allergic Rhinitis/Nasal Obstruction/Nasal Congestion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 week history of daily medical therapy • List of medications trialed • Explanation of any non-compliance 	
Epistaxis	Recommend nasal Vaseline qHS and nasal saline gel/spray prn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient has severe bleeding with anemia (priority) • Documented failure of daily humidification (priority) 	Sinus CT without contrast
Nasal Fracture	Mark EMERGENT Patient needs to be seen within 3-5 days of injury date.	
Nasal Mass	Sinus CT without contrast	
THROAT		
Dysphagia/Gobus sensation	Documented therapies tried/failed	
Tonsillitis, Recurrent	Chronic documented symptoms and duration (must be >6 mos)	
OTHER		
Neck Masses/Lymphadenopathy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Node has persisted >4 weeks without regression • Neck ultrasound 	
Oral Cancer	Lesions or ulcerations present for more than 2 weeks without improvement	

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Salivary Gland Masses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Swelling/mass lasting >1 month• Expedite: abnormal ultrasound	
Skin Masses/Lesions	Mark URGENT	Biopsy/pathology
Thyroid Related Diagnosis	Thyroid ultrasound	
TMJ	This diagnosis is not accepted	