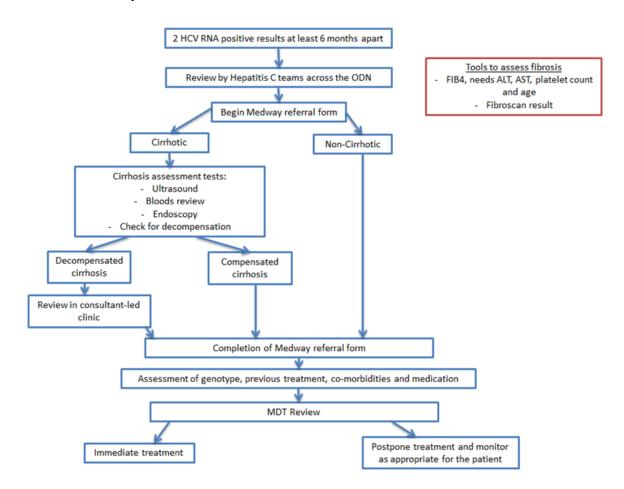
Bristol & Severn Region HCV Operational Delivery Network ('ODN')

Clinical Guidelines

We follow the NHSE and drug-specific NICE guidance, together with BVHG/BASL HCV treatment consensus guidelines (published 2017).

Treatment Pathway



Referral pathway progress

We continue to try to make HCV treatment more accessible for patients in our ODN. We have agreed the following routes to try to improve linkage to care. The above general pathway for initial treatment assessment was agreed by teams in Q3 2018. It will be updated in Q1 2019-20 to reflect use of point of care testing and use of pangenotypic therapies, depending on the rate card.

• Self-referral We have developed a self-referral pathway which patients can access via our ODN website. This went live in February 2019 and 3 patients have been discussed at MDT as a result. We have included advice on how to access this pathway for the patients we contact within the 'lost positive' PHE cohort.

- Standard referral from primary care or other agencies: All teams accept direct referral of patients from drug support agencies, homeless healthcare teams, sexual health clinics, prison healthcare and community psychiatry teams without the need for the patient to seek a GP referral.
- *E-referral* We are currently designing a single-point-of-access e-referral process for Bristol, as a pilot for the region. We plan to link this to the health care professional aspect of our website in Q2 2019-20.