

Supplementary table 1 Tests ordered either at nurse-led clinic (2015 and 2016) or on receipt of the referral in the straight-to-test pathway (2016 only). Figure in brackets represents the percentage of patients receiving the stated test. There was a significant difference in the proportion of patients receiving a colonoscopy, oesophagogastroduodenoscopy (OGD), computed tomography (CT) colonography or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) between 2015 and 2016, chi-squared test.

	2015 Cohort	2016 Cohort	P-value
Total referrals	664	954	
Colonoscopy	475 (71.5%)	795 (83.3%)	< 0.00001
CT	213 (32.0%)	316 (33.1%)	n.s.
OGD	115 (17.3%)	132 (13.8%)	< 0.05
CT colonography	104 (15.7%)	54 (5.7%)	< 0.00001
Flexible sigmoidoscopy	20 (3.0%)	29 (3.0%)	n.s.
MRI	20 (3.0%)	8 (0.8%)	< 0.001
Other tests	14 (2.1%)	12 (1.3%)	n.s.
Total tests	961	1346	