

## SARCOMA - Bone cancer (adults and children)<sup>15</sup>

If the patient presents with the following red flags, then the referral should be triaged as 'High Suspicion of Cancer'.

Red flags	YES or NO
An unexplained bony mass <b>and one or more</b> of the following	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>palpable mass fixed to bone</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>increasing in size</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>radiology suspicious for malignancy</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a recurrence after previous excision</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>suspected spontaneous fracture</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>unexplained presence of <b>one or more</b> of the following:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>increasing or persistent bone pain (especially at rest)</li> <li>night pain</li> <li>limp (for a child)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

<sup>15</sup> Children under the age of 16 years are not included within the Faster Cancer Treatment health target. Sarcoma have included high suspicion of cancer definitions for children as an educational tool to raise awareness of the signs/symptoms of sarcoma in children.