



## Questions to ask when presenting to a GP with Urinary Symptoms

- What tests do you recommend because:
  - I have visible blood in my urine
  - I have a different feeling when I urinate
  - I have pain when I urinate
  - My flow when I urinate has changed
  - My frequency and/or urgency to urinate have increased
  
- Is there any specific medical history important to tell you as a patient with my symptoms?
  - Chronic urinary tract infections (UTI's)
  - Smoker
  - Worked in an industry using chemicals
  - Diabetes
  - Family history
  
- What do you mean when you say I have microscopic or macroscopic haematuria?
  
- What are the potential diagnoses for a patient with haematuria?
  
- I feel my symptoms are not improving or while they have improved a little, have not gone away completely. Is there any further imaging or tests (ultrasound, CT scan, MRI, blood tests, urinalysis) I should consider to further diagnose why I am experiencing these symptoms?
  - To rule in/out Urinary Tract Infection (UTI)
  - To look for any more serious causes
  - What do these test involve?
  - What could they show you to help with my diagnosis?
  - **Can I be referred to a Urologist for further assessment?**
  
- Which tests are covered by Medicare? If not covered by Medicare, what would the cost be?
  
- How quickly can I get an appointment for the tests I require?