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To: All WCMI Receptionists; Referring Physicians
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Subject: **Booking Guidelines for Automated Breast Ultrasound (ABUS)**

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West Coast Medical Imaging in Victoria performs screening breast ultrasound for patients with C and D density breasts using Automated Breast Ultrasound (ABUS). Patients need a referral from their doctor or nurse practitioner. The standard WCMI requisition can be used.

Patients must have had a mammogram that identifies their breast density. Patients that are not suitable for ABUS include:

- Patients with implants
- Patients with indwelling catheters (PICC lines, Portacaths)

The first ABUS can be performed at any time. After that, they should be scheduled for six months after the next screening mammogram.

Referring physicians, please fax requests for ABUS along with a copy of the mammogram report that identifies the breast density to:

Fax 250 952 4411

Attn ABUS booking.