
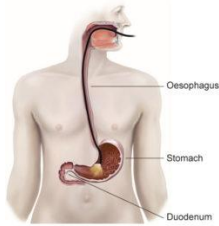
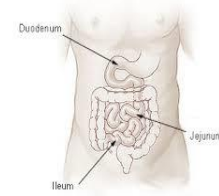

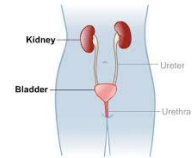





Quick Reference Guide for Pharmacists 2019- Red Flags

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| <p>Lung</p>  | <p>Aged 40 and over with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persistent cough for 4 weeks • Recurrent chest infections • Coughing up blood • Repeated purchases of <u>cough medicine</u> |
| <p>Upper GI</p>  <p>Figure 1 An upper GI endoscopy</p> | <p>Aged 55 and over with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persistent indigestion / nausea/ vomiting on most days for 3 weeks • Food sticking on swallowing • Repeat purchases of proton pump inhibitors (<u>such as Nexium @;and histamine2-receptor antagonists (e.g. ranitidine hydrochloride [Zantac@;]</u>) |
| <p>Lower GI</p>  | <p>Aged over 50 with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unexplained rectal bleeding • Over 60 with persistent change in the bowel habit for 6 weeks • Repeat purchases of <u>haemorrhoid medicine or Loperamide without diagnosis</u> |
| <p>Skin -moles</p>  | <p>Any age:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New mole persisting for more than 4 weeks • Significant change in an existing mole |
| <p>Renal Tract</p>  | <p>Aged 45 and over with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visible blood in the urine • Persistent change in the bladder habit for 4 weeks • (Problems with urination – ask during medicine use review) |
| <p>Head and Neck</p>  <p>Oral</p>  | <p>Aged 45 and over with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persistent hoarseness for 4 weeks • Repeat purchase of throat lozenges or medicine • Red and white patches and ulcers that don't heal within 3 weeks • An unexplained lump in the neck, on the lips or in the mouth |
| <p>Breast</p>  | <p>Aged 30 and over with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unexplained breast lump (with or without pain) • Persistent nipple changes including discharge |