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## Audit 12

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- 1) **Audit Title**  
Justification of head CT
- 2) **Standard against which the audit topic is to be compared**  
Discussed and agreed locally.
- 3) **Source of standard (or reference document)**
  - ★ Referral guidelines (iRefer, ACC)
  - ★ e.g., Quality of Referral, Pitman 2017
  - ★ (Should a head-injured child receive a head CT scan? A review. Maguire, Boutis et al, 2011)
- 4) **Type of audit – clinical audit, BSSD related, requesting**
- 5) **Target / compliance percentage to be achieved**  
Discussed and agreed locally.
- 6) **Item or variable to be audited**  
Referral quality (Possible to allow justification).  
Justification of the examination according to standards/guidelines.
- 7) **Method: Retrospective / Prospective / Other**  
Retrospective
- 8) **Data or information to be collected**  
Referrals for *emergency head CT/pediatric head CT for example*
- 9) **Sample details (categories, number of patients, collection time period)**  
Discussed and agreed locally. (e.g., 20-30 consecutive patients/3months/6months)
- 10) **Target achieved (yes / no / not applicable)**
- 11) **Actions to be taken if the target is not met**  
Review of the justification process: availability of referral guidelines, institutional instructions for good referral or standardised referral form, roles of professionals in the justification process (referring physician, radiographer/ technician/radiologist)
- 12) **Timing for re-audit (yes / no / not applicable)**  
Re-audit necessary after above actions/practice changes/education.