



North East Valley Division of General Practice

Aged Care GP Panels Initiative

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GP Guide To Assessment of Aged Care Home Residents with Challenging Behaviours

Assessment

- Medical conditions**
 - Infection eg UTI
 - Pain
 - Constipation
 - Urinary retention
 - Recent fall (subdural haematoma, fracture)
- Depression**
- Medication side effect (consider requesting RMMR)**

Investigation to consider:

- MSU**
- U&E Creat**
- TFTs**
- LFTs**
- Calcium**
- FBE, ESR**
- BSL**
- B12/folate**
- Syphilis serology**
- CXR**
- CT scan**

Management options:

- Case conference with staff to discuss behaviour management strategies**
- Discuss with family**
- Psychotropic medication**
- Referral (eg APAT)**