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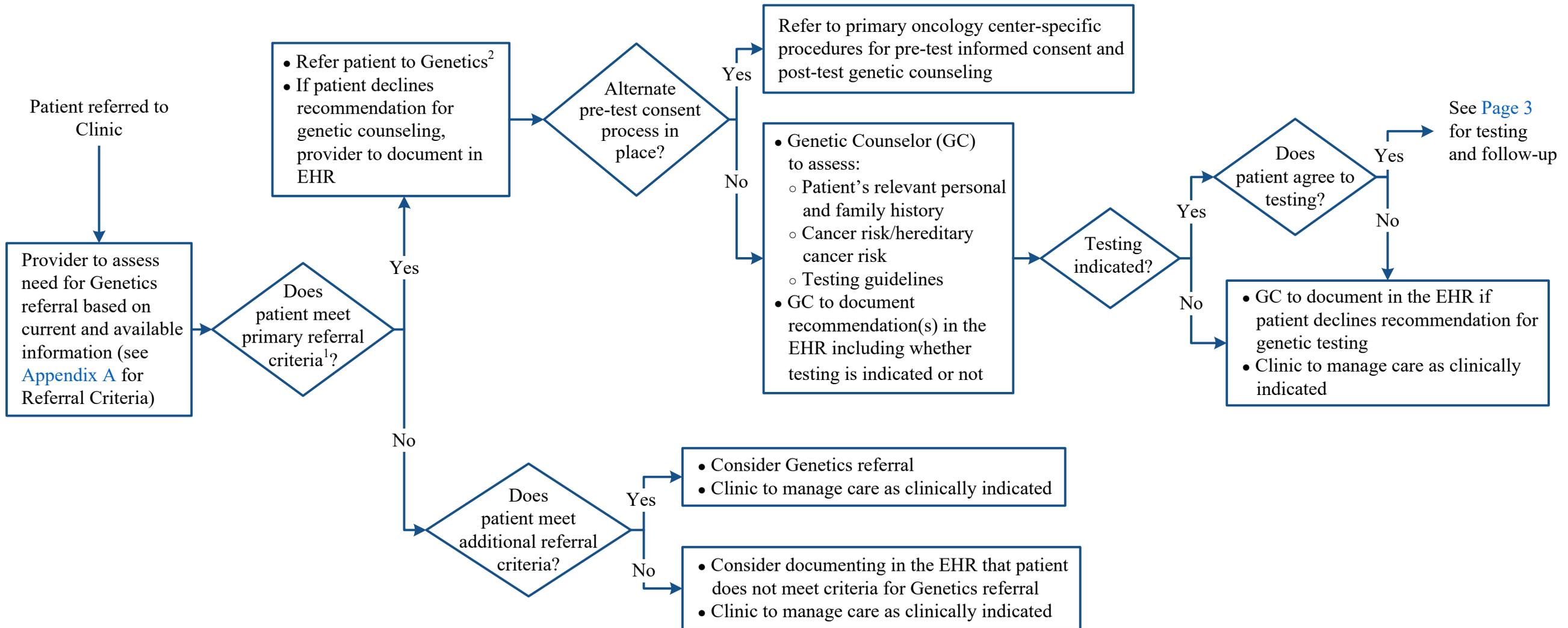
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PATIENT EVALUATION

RECOMMENDATION

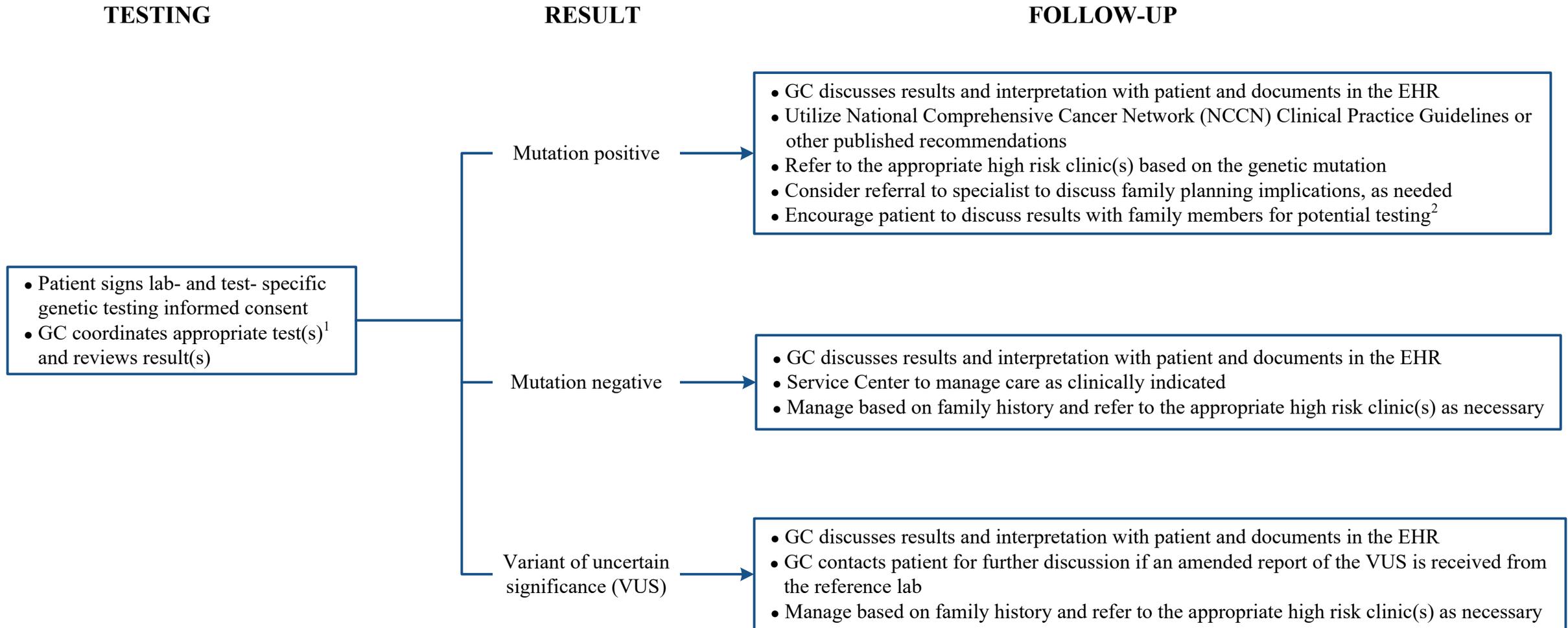


EHR = electronic health record

¹ For cancer types without established referral criteria, Genetics referral may be made at the discretion of the provider

² For an appointment or further information, call 877-632-6789 and indicate the appropriate disease center, (e.g., Breast Medical Oncology, Gynecology Oncology, Gastrointestinal Center)

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¹ In most cases peripheral blood is the preferred sample. In select cases (e.g., allogeneic stem cell transplant or hematologic malignancy), a different source of DNA such as cultured fibroblasts from a skin punch biopsy is required.

² Refer to [Appendix B](#) for Patient Education Material

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APPENDIX A: Genetics Counseling Referral Criteria

	Primary Referral Criteria	Additional Referral Criteria
Breast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient with a personal history of breast cancer diagnosed at ≤ 50 years of age • Patient with two or more primary breast cancers diagnosed at any age • Patient with a personal history of TRIPLE NEGATIVE breast cancer diagnosed at any age • Any male patient with a personal history of breast cancer at any age • Metastatic breast cancer patient considering targeted therapy based on genetic test results (e.g., PARP inhibitors) • Patient with high risk, HER2-negative breast cancer considering adjuvant treatment with olaparib (as defined by the phase III OlympiA trial¹) • Patient with a personal history of breast cancer diagnosed at any age, and one or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Personal history of ovarian cancer or pancreatic cancer ○ Personal history of lobular breast cancer with family history of diffuse gastric cancer ○ Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry ○ Family history of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - breast cancer diagnosed at age ≤ 50 years - male breast cancer - ovarian cancer - pancreatic cancer - metastatic or high/very high risk group prostate cancer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patients that do not meet Primary Referral Criteria, but have a personal history of breast cancer and there is a strong clinical suspicion for hereditary cancer • Ashkenazi Jewish individuals not meeting above criteria

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¹ Criteria for OlympiA phase III trial:

- Triple-negative breast cancer treated with either adjuvant chemotherapy with axillary node-positive disease or an invasive primary tumor ≥ 2 cm on pathology analysis **or** neoadjuvant chemotherapy with residual invasive breast cancer in the breast or resected lymph nodes
- Hormone receptor-positive disease treated with either adjuvant chemotherapy with ≥ 4 positive pathologically confirmed lymph nodes **or** neoadjuvant chemotherapy that did not have a complete pathologic response, with a CPS + EG score ≥ 3 . **Note:** The CPS + EG scoring system is based on a combination of clinical and pathologic stage, estrogen receptor status, and histologic grade

² Family history should be all on the same side of the family, (e.g., either maternal **or** paternal) and includes first, second, and third-degree relatives

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Gastrointestinal	<p>Patients with any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tumor studies suggestive of hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer (HNPCC)/ Lynch syndrome (MSI-H and/or loss of staining for any mismatch repair protein by IHC), regardless of tumor type <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ If loss of MLH1/PMS2, no evidence of MLH1 methylation and/or no somatic BRAF mutation (in primary colorectal tumors) • Colorectal adenocarcinoma diagnosed at age < 50 years • Colorectal adenocarcinoma diagnosed at any age and first- or second-degree relative with any HNPCC-related cancers¹, diagnosed at age < 50 years • Colorectal adenocarcinoma, regardless of age and one or more of the following in his/her personal history: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Synchronous or metachronous colorectal cancer ◦ HNPCC-related cancers¹ • Multiple (> 10) adenomas on a single colonoscopy or > 20 lifetime cumulative adenomas • Hamartomatous polyps, any number, occurring at any age • Diffuse gastric adenocarcinoma (linitis plastica) diagnosed at age < 50 years • Diffuse gastric adenocarcinoma (linitis plastica) regardless of age and a first- or second-degree relative with gastric cancer or lobular breast cancer • Pancreatic adenocarcinoma • Other GI cancers diagnosed at age ≤ 40 years • Family history of a known mutation for a cancer predisposition syndrome • Somatic test results concerning for a germline mutation 	<p>Patients with any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorectal adenocarcinoma diagnosed at any age and first- or second-degree relative with any HNPCC-related cancer¹, regardless of age • Multiple (> 5) adenomas on a single colonoscopy at age < 50 years • Unusual polyp burden (young age at diagnosis, histology, number)

MSI-H = microsatellite instability-high

IHC = immunohistochemistry

¹ HNPPC-related cancers include: colorectal, endometrial, ovarian, gastric, pancreas, ureter and renal pelvis, biliary tract, brain, small intestinal cancers and sebaceous gland adenomas and keratoacanthomas (per revised Bethesda guidelines, Umar *et al*, JNCI 2004)

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Gynecologic	Patients with any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High grade non-mucinous epithelial ovarian cancer¹ • Endometrial cancer, and one or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Personal history of colorectal cancer, regardless of age ◦ First-degree relative with colorectal or endometrial cancer at any age ◦ Any family history of colorectal or endometrial cancer diagnosed at age < 50 years ◦ MSI/IHC suggestive of Lynch syndrome • Family history of a known mutation for a cancer predisposition syndrome 	Patients with any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rare gynecologic tumor potentially consistent with a hereditary predisposition (<i>e.g.</i>, small cell ovarian cancer hypercalcemic type, Sertoli-Leydig tumor, SCTAT) • Do not meet Primary Referral criteria, but have a significant family history of cancer • Diagnosed with endometrial cancer at age < 50 years • Endometrial cancer plus personal or family history of follicular thyroid cancer, breast cancer, and/or dermatologic manifestations of Cowden syndrome

SCTAT = sex cord stromal tumor with annular tubules

¹ Peritoneal and fallopian tube cancers should be considered as part of the spectrum of the Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome

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APPENDIX B: Patient Education Material

Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome

https://www.mdanderson.org/patient-education/Genetics/Hereditary-Breast-and-Ovarian-Cancer-Syndrome_docx_pe.pdf

Lynch Syndrome: Hereditary Nonpolyposis Colorectal Cancer Syndrome (HNPCC)

<https://www.mdanderson.org/patient-education/Genetics/Lynch-Syndrome-Hereditary-Nonpolyposis-Colorectal-Cancer-Syndrome.pdf>

Genetic Counseling

https://www.mdanderson.org/patient-education/Genetics/Genetic-Counseling_docx_pe.pdf

Genetic Discrimination Laws

https://www.mdanderson.org/patient-education/Genetics/Genetic-Discrimination-Laws_docx_pe.pdf

Family History: Gathering Information About Cancer

https://www.mdanderson.org/patient-education/Genetics/Family-History-Gathering-Information-About-Cancer_docx_pe.pdf

Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP)

[https://www.mdanderson.org/patient-education/Genetics/Familial-Adenomatous-Polyposis-\(FAP\).pdf](https://www.mdanderson.org/patient-education/Genetics/Familial-Adenomatous-Polyposis-(FAP).pdf)

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