

## A triage decision aid — CHEST, LUNG & RESPIRATORY QUERIES

### WHEN TO ROUTE TO MR OKIROR

#### Common entry points

- **Lung cancer** — diagnosed, suspected, or second opinion on existing diagnosis
- **Lung nodule** on CT or chest X-ray — including incidental findings
- **Haemoptysis** — coughing up blood
- **Persistent cough** over 3 weeks, new or changed in character
- **Breathlessness in known emphysema or COPD** — limited despite inhalers
- **Chest trauma** — multiple rib fractures, flail chest, repatriation cases

#### Also consider for

- **Chest lump or mass** — chest wall, rib, pleura or mediastinum
- **Pneumothorax** — spontaneous or recurrent
- **Excessive sweating** of hands, face or underarms (hyperhidrosis)
- **Cyclical chest symptoms** in women — catamenial pneumothorax
- **Shoulder, arm or hand pain** with chest features — ? Thoracic Outlet Syndrome

### SPECIALIST PATHWAYS AVAILABLE PRIVATELY

#### ION robotic bronchoscopy

Precision biopsy for small or hard-to-reach lung nodules. **Available privately only at London Bridge Hospital, through Mr Okiror.**

#### Endobronchial valves & LVRS

Pulmonx Zephyr valves and lung volume reduction surgery for severe emphysema. **Mr Okiror is the sole surgeon offering both treatments privately at London Bridge Hospital.**

#### Rib fracture fixation & chest trauma

Surgical stabilisation (SSRF) for displaced multiple rib fractures, flail chest and persistent post-injury pain. Delivered at London Bridge Hospital with regional anaesthesia and ICU support; collaboration with orthopaedics for combined injuries. **Polytrauma with major non-thoracic injury should be routed to a major trauma centre.**

#### Second opinions — lung & chest cancers

For patients reviewing a cancer diagnosis, staging, or a proposed surgical plan made elsewhere. Imaging and reports reviewed ahead of consultation. Also offered for non-cancer chest conditions. **Mr Okiror is a consultant at Guy's & St Thomas', where approximately 1 in 8 of the UK's lung cancer operations is performed.**

### WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU ROUTE

- 01** Consultation within 2–3 days at London Bridge Hospital or The Lister Hospital Chelsea
- 02** Patient leaves with a **clear next three steps**
- 03** Letter to GP and referring service **within 48 hours**
- 04** **Direct line** to PA for urgent or complex queries

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