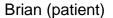


Referral pathway example

Service user, Brian visits his GP with back pain. He has suffered with back pain for a while and usually manages it with pain killers but would like professional help.







Visits GP and discusses options, waiting list for physiotherapy, so GP consults accredited registers directory.



Brian wants to try acupuncture and GP refers patient to accredited registers directory where acupuncturists in private practice see clients direct



Brian makes a private appointment knowing that their competence and safety has been checked and they are on a register approved by the Professional Standards Authority.