

Gastroenterology and Endoscopy

Here at NWCATS we test and treat all signs and symptoms of digestive diseases. We will help diagnose your problem and either treat or offer advice for medicine and lifestyle management.

Our Gastroenterology specialists, Nurse Endoscopist and Nursing Team offer full support and treatment.

Our endoscopy suite is fully JAG accredited* and includes:

Gastroscopy

A gastroscopy is a tube-like telescope that is inserted through the mouth and examines the gullet, stomach and small intestine with a flexible tube with a light and a camera on one end. The throat is numbed with anaesthetic spray and a sedative given.

Flexible Sigmoidoscopy

This is a thin tube-like telescope that examines the rectum and lower part of the bowel, it has a light and a camera on one end.

Colonoscopy

This is a narrow tube-like telescope that is inserted carefully through the rectum and into the colon to examine the large bowel.

*JAG accredited is the Joint Advisory Group for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy. JAG is an independent organisation that assess against recognised standards for gastroenterology endoscopy services in the NHS and private healthcare and only assign accreditation on those services that meet all the criteria.