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Oncology Awareness

Common Cancers work up pathway

Suspected Hepatobiliary Cancers:

Signs & symptoms:

- Dyspepsia
- Jaundice
- Fever
- Pain abdomen
- Abdominal swelling

Tests:

- Routine bloods (CBC, urea, Creatinine, LFT)
- ECG
- Viral serology
- Chest X ray
- ERCP & biopsy (for suspected endobiliary lesions)
- Triple Phase CT scan abdomen
- CT-guided trucut biopsy

Special points:

- Do not consider percutaneous biopsy from Gall Bladder swelling
- If triple phase CT typical of hepatocellular carcinoma, cirrhosis present and lesion >2cm, no need to do liver biopsy