Low Hb, Low MCV and/or MCH

Repeat FBC (and film)
Ferritin
Reticulocytes

Ferritin Low
Reticulocytes Normal
Iron Deficiency Anaemia
GP to investigate and treat as per separate algorithm

Reticulocytes Raised
Bleeding
Refer to Gastroenterology

Ferritin Normal
Reticulocytes Normal
Is ACD* suspected?
(Age, Cancer, Inflammation)

Reticulocytes Raised
Bleeding
Refer to Gastroenterology

Yes
Refer to Haematology

No
Hb Electrophoresis

*ACD = Anaemia of Chronic Disease

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