**Septic Arthritis**

Refer as emergency to Secondary Care if Septic Arthritis is suspected

**Management**

Patient education

Short history of a hot, swollen and tender joint (or joints)

Restriction of movement

Feeling generally unwell with a high temperature

Rule out systemic symptoms i.e rashes, risk factors family history, smoking

Consider differentials: Crystal arthritis, Osteoarthritis, Inflammatory arthritis, Haemarthrosis. Investigate and refer appropriately

Pain (can be severe)

Rule out

Red flags