

# Pancreatitis

## Definition

Acute inflammation of the pancreas generally manifesting at least two of the following:

- Characteristic acute onset of epigastric or vague abdominal pain that may radiate to the back (see signs and symptoms above)
- Serum amylase or lipase levels  $\geq 3$  times the upper limit of normal
- An imaging study with characteristic changes. CT, MRI, abdominal ultrasound or endoscopic ultrasound can be used for diagnosis.

## Disposition

GIM

## Caveats

Gallstone pancreatitis is admitted to Gastroenterology