

LYMPHATIC SYSTEM NODES: CLINICAL REFERENCE

Anatomical Distribution & Drainage Regions

HEAD & NECK

Node Group	Primary Drainage Area
Submental	Lower lip, floor of mouth, apex of tongue
Submandibular	Cheeks, lateral nose, upper lip, gums
Cervical (Deep)	Larynx, thyroid, esophagus, deep neck
Supraclavicular	Thorax, abdomen (Virchow's Node - Left)

UPPER BODY & TRUNK

Node Group	Primary Drainage Area
Axillary	Upper limb, breast, upper chest wall
Pectoral	Anterior thoracic wall, mammary gland
Epitrochlear	Ulnar aspect of forearm and hand
Parasternal	Medial breast, deep abdominal wall

ABDOMINAL & PELVIC

Node Group	Primary Drainage Area
Celiac	Stomach, upper pancreas, liver, spleen
Mesenteric	Small intestine, large intestine to splenic flexure
Iliac	Pelvic viscera, perineum, gluteal region
Para-aortic	Kidneys, testes/ovaries, uterus

LOWER EXTREMITIES

Node Group**Primary Drainage Area****Inguinal (Superficial)**

Lower limb, external genitalia, anal canal

Inguinal (Deep)

Deep structures of lower limb, glans penis/clitoris

Popliteal

Lateral aspect of foot, leg, knee joint

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