

Cancer services

Gynaecological Open Access Follow-Up

Information for patients, relatives and carers

You will be followed-up with blood tests which take place at Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust. You will be asked to have a Ca125 blood test:

- 3-monthly for the first year
- 6-monthly for the next 2 years
- Yearly for the next 5 years

Signs and symptoms

Please contact us if you have any of the following:

- any new bleeding or discharge from the vagina or back passage or any blood in the urine
- new or continuing pain that does not go away with usual painkillers
- any unexplained lumps, bumps or swelling around your abdomen (stomach) or groin
- a change in bowel or bladder habit that lasts for 3 weeks or more
- unexplained loss of weight, lack of appetite or a constant feeling of nausea (feeling sick)
- any physical problem that interferes with daily life, e.g. fatigue, difficulty in sleeping or any new problem with sexual function

If you have severe symptoms, such as heavy bleeding or severe and continuing abdominal (stomach) pain please contact your GP immediately or attend your local A&E department.

OAFU contact: Imperial.OAFUgynae@nhs.net Telephone: **020 3312 3426**

How do I make a comment about my visit?

We aim to provide the best possible service and staff will be happy to answer any of the questions you may have. If you have any **suggestions** or **comments** about your visit, please either speak to a member of staff or contact the patient advice and liaison service (**PALS**) on **020 3312 7777** (10.00 – 16.00, Monday to Friday) . You can also email PALS at imperial.pals@nhs.net The PALS team will listen to your concerns, suggestions or queries and is often able to help solve problems on your behalf.

Alternatively, you may wish to complain by contacting our complaints department:

Complaints department, fourth floor, Salton House, St Mary's Hospital, Praed Street
London W2 1NY

Email: ICHC-tr.Complaints@nhs.net

Telephone: **020 3312 1337 / 1349**

Alternative formats

This leaflet can be provided on request in large print or easy read, as a sound recording, in Braille or in alternative languages. Please email the communications team:
imperial.communications@nhs.net

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