

Welcome to the Emergency Gynaecology Assessment Unit

Information and advice for patients

Welcome to the Emergency Gynaecology Assessment Unit. The unit cares for women who have been sent by their GP or A&E for further assessment of their condition and treatment.

Where is the Emergency Gynaecology Assessment Unit?

The unit is located on the Surgical Assessment Unit. This is on the first floor of the main City Hospital building.

When you arrive at the unit

When you first arrive at the unit you will be seen by a nurse who will:

- Confirm your name, address and date of birth
- Check your temperature, pulse and blood pressure
- Ask you to provide a urine sample
- Ask you questions about your condition

If you have been referred to the unit for assessment

If you have been referred to the unit for assessment you will then be seen by a doctor who will:

- Ask you about your medical history
- Perform a physical examination
- Carry out any tests that are needed, such as blood tests, swabs or an ultrasound scan

They will then interpret the results, discuss them with a senior doctor and talk to you about a treatment plan. If you need to stay in hospital overnight to have treatment you will be admitted to a bed on the unit. Anyone who needs to stay in hospital for longer than 1 night will be admitted to ward D25 or D27 on the second floor of the hospital.

A consultant holds clinics on the ward at 3 time slots during the day, so if you need to see a consultant urgently you can see one on the unit within 48 hours of being referred by A&E or your GP.

If you have a complication during early pregnancy

If you come to the unit because of a complication during early pregnancy you will be seen by an Early Pregnancy Clinical Nurse Specialist in the Early Pregnancy Assessment Unit, which is part of the Emergency Gynaecology Assessment Unit.

The nurse specialist will ask you questions about your condition, may carry out a physical examination, and arrange for you to have a blood test and/or ultrasound scan. They will then interpret the findings, explain them to you and talk to you about treatments.

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If you have been referred to the unit for treatment or minor surgery

A number of treatments and minor procedures can be carried out on the unit. If you are coming to the Emergency Gynaecology Assessment Unit for treatment or minor surgery you will be admitted to the unit for the day and can usually go home later the same day. However some women may need to stay on the unit overnight in our trolley area.

If you are being admitted to the unit for the day or overnight please bring the following items with you:

- Nightclothes
- Underwear
- Toiletries
- Reading material
- Any medications you are currently taking

If you need to stay overnight you can have visitors from 2pm – 4pm and 6pm – 8pm. Please note that only 2 visitors are allowed at any one time.

If you are with us for meal times, meals are served at the following times:

Breakfast: 7.30am – 8.30am

Lunch/Dinner: 12pm – 12.30pm

Supper: 5pm – 5.30pm

Contact details

If you have any questions or concerns about your condition or your appointment please contact:

Emergency Gynaecology Assessment Unit

0121 507 5329

8am – 8pm, 7 days a week

If you would like to suggest any amendments or improvements to this leaflet please contact the communications department on 0121 507 5495 or email: swb-tr.swbh-gm-patient-information@nhs.net



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