Information for patients about the
Gynaecology
Emergency
Department

Gynaecology Emergency Dept
Southern General Hospital
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What is the Gynaecology Emergency Department?

This department is dedicated to providing emergency care for women with either:

- a gynaecological problem (relating to the female reproductive system)
- a problem in early pregnancy (up to 16 weeks)

You can be referred by your GP, by A&E or by another department within the hospital. We do not offer a self-referral or walk-in service.

What will happen when I arrive at the Unit?

You will wait and see a Gynaecology Emergency Nurse, who will carry out an assessment of your condition as soon as possible.

What will happen during my assessment?

Your initial assessment will be with the gynaecology nurse or doctor. They will ask you about your problem and perform any necessary tests or examinations.

This may include:

- Blood pressure, pulse, temperature
- Urine sample
- Blood tests
- General and vaginal examination
- Ultrasound scan (this may include a vaginal scan)

What will happen after my assessment?

Once all tests and investigations are carried you will either be:

- Allowed to go home (A discharge letter will be sent to your GP)
- Referred to a different clinic, department or specialist for further assessment
- Admitted to the gynaecology ward for further treatment or investigations

Please note:
We see patients in the order of their clinical priority. We would therefore appreciate your understanding should a woman with an urgent problem need to be seen before you.

Please note:
- We will try to complete your assessment as quickly as possible. Please allow a minimum of 3 hours for your visit. Please do not eat or drink anything until you have been assessed by the nurse or doctor.
- Please let staff know if you need to go to the toilet, as a urine sample may be required.
- Please tell us if you have any special needs or requirements.
- We ask that only one person remain with you within the department due to limited space in our waiting area.
- We understand that in an emergency situation you may have children with you in the department. Please try to contact a relative or friend, as soon as possible, to come and take care of them for you.
- Mobile phones should remain switched off at all times within department. They can be used outside the main doors of the ward at the lifts.

Contact details:
- Gynaecology Emergency Dept- 0141 201-2249

Please make referrals via your GP.