

**PREOPERATIVE INFORMATION SHEET FOR  
LAPAROSCOPIC TUBAL OCCLUSION**

**Clinical diagnosis:** unwanted fertility

**Indication:** unwanted fertility

**Nature of the operation:**

- general anaesthesia
- pneumoperitoneum created by insufflation of carbon dioxide
- incisions made
- telescope and instruments passed into abdomen
- local anaesthetic applied to fallopian tubes
- fallopian tubes interrupted with Falope rings / clips
- incisions closed
- all tissue removed will be sent to the Department of Pathology or disposed of as appropriate unless otherwise specified
- photographic and/or video images may be recorded during the operation for education/research purpose. Please inform our staff if you have any objection.

**Benefits of the procedure:** effective contraception

**Other consequences after the procedure:**

- no effect on hormonal status in the presence of normal ovaries
- coitus is not affected
- irreversible method of contraception unless tubal reanastomosis done
- (may have unrelated menstruation change)

**Risks and complications** may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Women who are obese, who have significant pathology, who have undergone previous surgery or who have pre-existing medical conditions must understand that the quoted risks for serious or frequent complications will be increased.
- Anaesthetic complications
- Serious
  - failure to gain entry into the abdomen and to complete the intended procedure, requiring laparotomy
  - bleeding, may require blood transfusion
  - uterine perforation
  - injuries to the bowel, bladder or blood vessels (3 in every 1000, uncommon)
  - one in every 12000 woman undergoing laparoscopy dies as a result of complications
  - pelvic infection
  - luteal phase pregnancy (2-3 in every 1000, uncommon)
  - hernia at site of entry
  - failure, resulting in unplanned pregnancy: the lifetime failure rate is 1 in 200 (uncommon)
  - the possibility of a future pregnancy occurring in the fallopian tube if failure occurs
- Frequent
  - shoulder-tip pain
  - frequency of micturition, dysuria and urinary tract infection
  - wound infection, pain, bruising, delayed wound healing or keloid formation
  - numbness, tingling of or burning sensation around the scar
  - internal scarring with adhesions

**Risks of not having the procedure:** unwanted pregnancy

**Possible alternatives**

- other methods of contraceptions including oral or injectable hormones, intrauterine device, vasectomy
- others \_\_\_\_\_

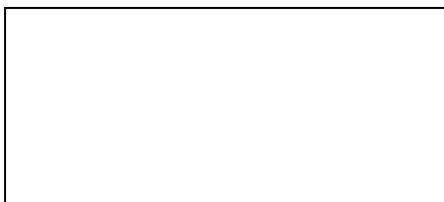
**Other associated procedures** (which may become necessary during the operation):

- laparotomy
- repair of damage to bowel, bladder or blood vessels

**Special follow-up issue:** need to use effective contraception until the next menstrual period.

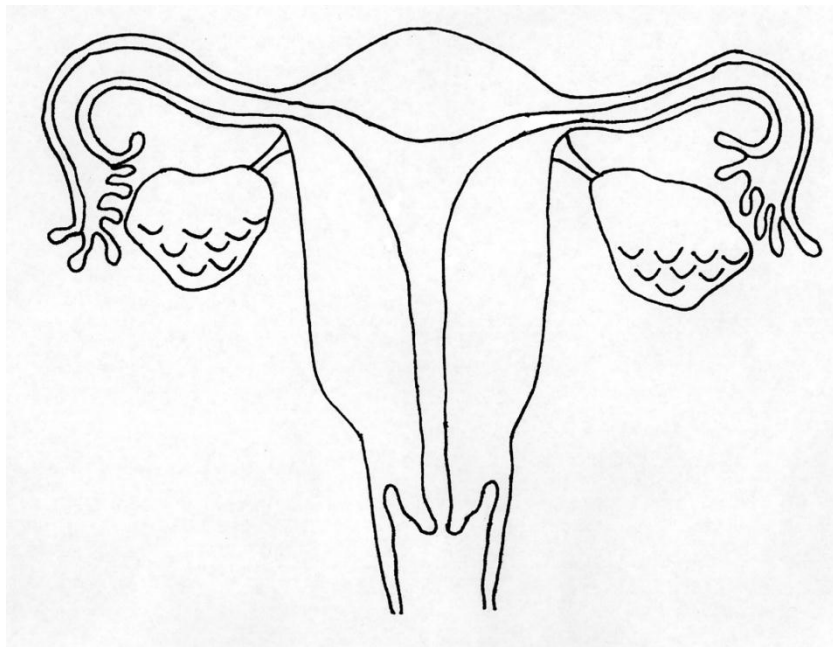
**Statement of patient:** procedure(s) which should not be carried out without further discussion


*I acknowledge that the above information concerning my operation/procedure have been explained to me and discussed with me by the medical staff and I fully understand them. I have been given the opportunities to ask questions pertinent to my condition and management and satisfactory answers have been provided by medical staff.*



Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



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