Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology - The University of Hong Kong

PREOPERATIVE INFORMATION SHEET FOR LAPAROSCOPIC TUBAL OCCLUSION / BILATERAL SALPINGECTOMY

Clinical diagnosis: unwanted fertility(partner of patient is encouraged to be involved in making the decision)

Indication: unwanted fertility

Nature of the operation:

- general anaesthesia
- pneumoperitoneum created by insufflation of carbon dioxide
- incisions made
- telescope and instruments passed into abdomen
- tubal occlusion: local anaesthestic applied to fallopian tubes, fallopian tubes interrupted with Falope rings / clips
- bilateral salpingectomy: both fallopian tubes excised
- 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
- Both are considered irreversible method of contraception.
- Tubal reanastomosis may be done after tubal occlusion but may not be successful. Reanastomosis is not possible after bilateral salpingectomy.
- Risk of carcinoma of ovary is reduced after tubal occlusion. The reduction may be more with bilateral salpingectomy.
- may have unrelated menstruation change following discontinuation of hormonal contraception

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

injuries to the bowel, bladder or blood vessels (2 in every 1000, uncommon), may require repair and or urinary/faecal diversion by laparoscopy or laparotomy

uterine perforation if instrument inserted to facilitate operation

one in every 12000 woman undergoing laparoscopy dies as a result of complications (very rare) pelvic infection

luteal phase pregnancy (2-3 in every 1000, uncommon)

hernia at site of entry

failure, resulting in unplanned pregnancy (2-5 in 1000 at 10 years, uncommon)

the possibility of a future pregnancy occurring in the fallopian tube(ectopic pregnancy) if failure occurs

regret

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
- laparoscopic bilateral salpingectomy / tubal occlusion
- hysteroscopic tubal occlusion
- others

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

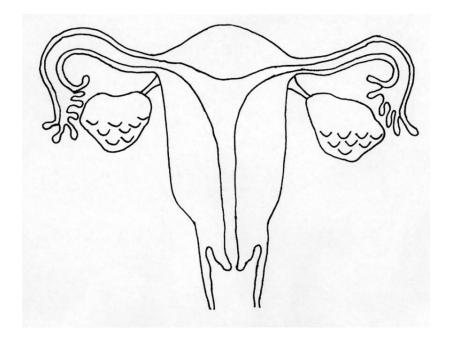
- laparotomy (3 in 1000, uncommon)
- repair of damage to bowel, bladder or blood vessels

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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