

# How to book an X-ray test of your uterus and fallopian tubes (hysterosalpingogram)

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Information for Patients

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### Introduction

Your doctor has asked (sent a referral) for you to have an X-ray test to look at your womb and fallopian tubes. The test is called a **hysterosalpingogram (HSG)**.

It is pronounced hiss-ter-oh-sal-ping-oh-gram. Sometimes it is called a 'salp' or 'HSG' for short.

This leaflet tells you how to book your test.

## What happens after my referral?

Your doctor (gynaecologist) has referred you to the Radiology Department for this test. It takes about 1 week for your referral to be processed.

• We will then send you a letter to tell you that you are on the waiting list. We also send you a leaflet which tells you about the test

If you do not get this letter and leaflet within 3 weeks of referral, please call the Radiology Department on the number on page 2.

• You then need to book a chlamydia test with your GP if you have not had one.

# Having a chlamydia test before booking an appointment

Chlamydia is a sexually transmitted infection (STI). It is one of the most common STIs in the UK.

You will **need to have had a vaginal swab test** to check for chlamydia. This has to be done within the last 6 months before you can book an appointment for your HSG test.

If you have not had this test, please contact your GP to book this as soon as possible. You need to be clear of chlamydia when you have your HSG test. You will not be able to book an appointment with us if we do not have your results.

#### Health information and support is available at www.nhs.uk or call 111 for non-emergency medical advice

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### How to book an appointment for your HSG

Please follow the instructions below when you get your waiting list letter:

- After your chlamydia test call the Radiology Department on **the first day of your menstrual period (the day you start bleeding).** We will book an appointment for you within 10 days of your menstrual cycle.
- Please tell us if your periods are irregular or if you are not having periods. We can then make an appointment for a date we think is best.

Phone: 0116 258 8765 (option 7), Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, but not on bank holidays

We will cancel your referral and send it back to your gynaecologist if you do not make an appointment within 3 months of the first letter we sent to you.

# Can I bring a friend or relative with me?

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If you need to bring a friend or relative to help you because you have special needs or you do not understand English very well, they may not always be allowed into the exam room with you.

Friends or relatives cannot be your translator to help you understand information (or ask questions) about your test.

**If you cannot speak or understand English:** when you book your appointment please tell us that you need a language translator to be with you at your test. We will sort this out for you.

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