Endometrial Cancer

Patient Information sheet

The endometrium is the tissue that lines the uterus (womb). Endometrial cancer usually occurs in women after the menopause causing vaginal bleeding. Though it can occur before the menopause and cause bleeding between periods.

Endometrial cancer has two main ways of spreading; local invasion and lymphatic spread. The spread of cancer to different parts of the body is called metastasis.

Treatment Options

Endometrial cancer can be treated by surgery alone, or by surgery followed by radiotherapy. Surgery is in the form of hysterectomy with removal of both tubes and ovaries either by keyhole surgery (laparoscopy) or by open surgery (laparotomy). On some occasions you may be offered radiotherapy alone or hormone treatment. Your doctor will discuss your treatment options with you.

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