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Dear Doctor,

RE: SURGICAL TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY

Albury Wodonga Health in partnership with Gateway Health Wodonga is now providing a regular surgical termination of pregnancy (STOP) list.

All women wanting to access this service will require an appointment with Gateway Health Wodonga prior to their procedure.

PROCESS:

All women will require a booking appointment at Gateway Health Wodonga. This is a long consultation and includes pregnancy options discussion, assessment to confirm eligibility for STOP, information about STOP, and booking the procedure.

As these appointments are often time critical, General Practitioners and Specialists are encouraged to undertake work up investigations in preparation for the woman's booking appointment with Gateway Health. Investigations required are listed below:

INVESTIGATIONS REQUIRED FOR STOP:

Blood investigations:

Blood Group and Antibody screen

Fe Studies

FBC

BHCG

Pelvic Ultrasound: Dating scan

NB: Must be between 6-12 weeks gestation to be eligible

Self-collected vaginal swabs:

Chlamydia

MC&S

Please ensure all results are copied to: **Dr (Please call us discuss) Gateway Health**



COST:

There is no cost to the patient for the surgical procedure. Appointments at Gateway Health, Wodonga are bulk billed. Costs incurred by the client may include imaging, and a prescription that will need to be filled prior to the procedure.

MAKING AN APPOINTMENT:

A referral is not required, and women can self-refer. When booking an appointment, we ask that you inform your client to ask specifically for a **“STOP Appointment”**.

Our reception staff understand the nature of these phone calls can be sensitive, and will try their best to accommodate a prompt appointment.

Kind Regards,

Gateway Health Sexual Health Team