

Service update: Homerton Routine Hysteroscopy referrals – Advice & Refer via eRS

As part of the upcoming move to a Homerton Gynaecology SPoA, **from 19 August 2026**, Homerton Hospital will introduce an interim **Advice & Refer (A&R)** service for **Routine Hysteroscopy** referrals through the NHS e-Referral Service (eRS). This approach aims to ensure patients are directed to the right service first time, reducing unnecessary appointments and delays.

What can be referred?

The service accepts referrals for:

- Suspected intrauterine polyps identified on ultrasound
- Retrieval of "lost" IUCDs

What happens after referral?

All referrals will be clinically reviewed by the Homerton Gynaecology team. Patients may be:

- Booked directly into an outpatient hysteroscopy clinic
- Redirected to a more appropriate service
- Returned to primary care with specialist advice

After a referral is accepted, patients will then be called and briefed about what to expect at their hysteroscopy appointment.

How to find the service in eRS

Search using:

- **Priority:** Routine
- **Specialty:** Gynaecology
- **Clinic Type:** Menstrual Disorder
- Select: **Advice & Refer – Routine Hysteroscopy – Homerton**

Please refer to the attached referral guidance before submitting referrals.

For **clinical queries** please email the Homerton Gynae CNS team (huh-tr.outpatienthysteroscopy.service@nhs.net)

For **administrative queries** please email the Central Bookings team (huh-tr.Centralbookingsreferrals@nhs.net).

Homerton's Routine Hysteroscopy Directory of Service

When referring into the Routine Hysteroscopy service please see the conditions treated and exclusions below. Your referral will be clinically triaged by the Gynaecology team and then either accepted, advice given, or redirected to another sub-specialist clinic.

Conditions Treated in Clinic:	Exclusions from Clinic:
Suspected intrauterine polyps identified on ultrasound	Post menopausal Bleeding – please refer to 2ww
Retrieval of 'lost' IUCDs	Patients under the age of 16
	Abnormal menstrual bleeding – please refer to General Gynaecology
	Patient with suspected or confirmed pelvic inflammatory disease.
	Patent with limited mental capacity to consent.

Procedures that can be performed in clinic include:

- Ultrasound Scan
- Diagnostic hysteroscopy
- Polypectomy
- Endometrial biopsy
- Removal of coil
- Insertion of coil

Administrative Considerations:

- If the patient has had a previous scan, please attach
- Please specify in the referral if the patient has any mobility problems (if hoist is required)
- Please specify in the referral if an advocate is required
- Please ensure transport is booked

Questions?

If **patients** have questions about their hysteroscopy procedure, here is a link to a video detailing their hysteroscopy appointment step by step

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mbpOg6iNPas>

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