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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 012637 – Ectopic pregnancy

TREATMENT OF ECTOPIC PREGNANCY IN YOUR UNIT.	HOSPITAL	The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust
In relation to the last 12 months:	Yes/No/%	Comments / explanation
Do you offer systemic methotrexate as a first-line treatment to women who are able to return for follow-up and who have all of the following: • no significant pain, and an unruptured ectopic pregnancy with an adnexal mass smaller than 35 mm with no visible heartbeat • a serum hCG level less than 1500 IU/litre?	No	We do not currently offer treatment with methotrexate in circumstance described
Do you offer the choice of either methotrexate or surgical management to women with an ectopic pregnancy who have a serum hCG level of at least 1500 IU/litre and less than 5000 IU/litre, who are able to return for follow-up and who meet all of the following criteria: • no significant pain and an unruptured ectopic pregnancy with an adnexal mass smaller than 35 mm with no visible heartbeat?	No	We do not currently offer treatment with methotrexate in circumstance described
What percentage of women have surgical treatment of their ectopic pregnancy performed by laparotomy?	22%	All operations 01/02/15 to 31/01/16 inclusive, coded with diagnosis ICD10 code O00% (tubal/ectopic pregnancy), and procedure OPCS4 code Q31.1 or Q23.3 or Q25.9, and not qualified by procedure OPCS4 code Y75.2 (laparoscopic) or Y71.4 (converted from laparoscopic)
What percentage of women have surgical treatment of their ectopic pregnancy completed laparoscopically?	76%	All operations 01/02/15 to 31/01/16 inclusive, coded with diagnosis ICD10 code O00% ,and procedure OPCS4 code Q31.1 or Q23.3 or Q25.9, and qualified by procedure OPCS4 code Y75.2
What percentage of women have surgical treatment of their ectopic pregnancy initiated laparoscopically and converted to laparotomy?	2%	All operations 01/02/15 to 31/01/16 inclusive, coded with diagnosis ICD10 code O00% ,and procedure OPCS4 code Q31.1 or Q23.3 or Q25.9, and qualified by procedure OPCS4 code Y71.4

Do you always have the correct equipment available to allow the laparoscopic treatment of ectopic pregnancy?	Yes	We have access to surgical equipment for treatment whenever required
Do you perform salpingectomy for women with an ectopic pregnancy and no clear risk factors for infertility?		Salpingectomy is our first line treatment unless there has been previous salpingectomy
Do you perform salpingotomy for women with risk factors for infertility?		Salpingotomy is performed if there has been previous salpingectomy and the current ectopic pregnancy is unruptured with a relatively normal Fallopian tube
Please estimate the % of surgeons operating on ectopic pregnancies who you think can competently and confidently perform a salpingotomy?	100%	All consultants could perform salpingotomy if indicated
What equipment / organizational / training issues could improve the laparoscopic treatment of your patients with an ectopic pregnancy?		Surgery is most usually undertaken by consultants with opportunity for teaching middle grade staff. Surgery is most often undertaken in the CEPOD theatre.