



## **THE APPOINTMENT**

When you call to make an appointment for the procedure the receptionist will inquire as to how many weeks pregnant you think you might be. To work this out, you should calculate this from the first day of your last period. To assist please use the [Gestation Wheel](#) under [Patient info](#).

Some women can get confused, thinking that the pregnancy is measured from the time of conception, so it is always most reliable to go on when your last period was using the [Gestation Wheel](#). If your last period was different from normal, if you have very irregular periods or you are not sure when your last period was then, don't panic as our doctor can perform an ultrasound to accurately predict how pregnant you are. This is done to help determine how pregnant you are as the operation is most safely performed between 6 – 12 weeks of pregnancy.

You will not need to view this ultrasound. Sometimes relying only on a blood test to determine how pregnant you are can be inaccurate and we strongly recommend a pregnancy ultrasound in cases of extreme uncertainty. Blood tests used to measure how pregnant you are can be inaccurate in the case of extreme uncertainty.

You do not need a referral from your doctor to have a pregnancy termination however many women do present to their doctor before visiting us and will bring along their referral form provided by their doctor. For a full list of what to remember before the operation please click on [What to Remember](#).

When you arrive for your operation you will meet with one of our trained nurses. She will discuss your decision with you. The operation will be discussed with you and a pregnancy ultrasound will be performed to confirm how pregnant you are.

The complications will be discussed with you and you will be given the chance to ask questions. If you remain confident in your decision and decide to proceed with the operation then you will be escorted to your own private recovery area to rest. Here you will be seen both by the operating doctor and by the Anaesthetist. After the operation you will wake in recovery. You will be looked after by a nurse and will rest for a minimum of 1 hour before going home. The nurse will discuss with you all you need to know before leaving and will give you written information called "The Aftercare Information Sheet."

To make an appointment please call between 8.30 am to 8.30 pm on 03 9799 2817  
If you wish for us to contact you then leave your details in the "[Contact us](#)" section and a brief message and we will contact you the following day as per your instructions.