

# Patient Counseling Information Gynecology Pathology Report

Patient Name: Patient Name

Date of Testing: Testing Date

Birth Date: Patient Birth Date

Social Security #: Patient Social Security #

## Your Pathology Test Result

Endometrial cancer

## Pathologist Description of Your Diagnosis

Cancer of the endometrium is a common kind of cancer in women accounting for 13% of all cancers. Cancer (malignant) cells are found in the lining of the uterus (endometrium). The uterus is the hollow, pear-shaped organ where a baby grows. The chance of recovery (prognosis) and choice of treatment depend upon the stage of the cancer (whether it is just in the endometrium or has spread to other parts of the uterus or other parts of the body). The chance of recovery may also depend on how cells look under the microscope. Early stage endometrial cancer is a curable tumor. The cure rate (prognosis) depends on the extent of the tumor and degree of maturity.

## Your Options For Treatment

Four types of treatment are available for patients with endometrial cancer:

- **Surgery** (taking out the cancer in an operation)
- **Radiation therapy** (using high-dose x-rays or other high-energy rays to kill cancer cells and shrink tumors)
- **Chemotherapy** (using drugs to kill cancer cells)
- **Hormone therapy** (using female hormones to kill cancer cells) or:  
Any combination of the above treatments

## Patients' Frequently Asked Questions

What is a D & C? (dilatation and curettage)

How long do I need to wait after treatment for sex?

Will my cancer return or am I cured?

How will the quality of my life be changed?

Will I completely lose my ovaries and uterus?

How many years of follow up are required?

## Suggestions For Your Gynecological Health Maintenance

### Don't Miss Your Follow Up Appointments

*Report the following to your physician immediately:*

Bleeding /discharge not related to menstrual periods

Difficult or painful urination

Pain in the pelvic area.

Pain during intercourse

## Additional Gynecology Patient Resources and Support

[http://cancernet.nci.nih.gov/cancer\\_Types endometrial\\_\(uterine\)\\_cancer.shtml](http://cancernet.nci.nih.gov/cancer_Types%20endometrial_(uterine)_cancer.shtml)

[www.ama-assn.org/special/std/support/educate/stdhpn.htm](http://www.ama-assn.org/special/std/support/educate/stdhpn.htm)

[www.cancer.org/eprise/main/docroot/CRI/cr\\_0](http://www.cancer.org/eprise/main/docroot/CRI/cr_0)

American Cancer Society – 800-ACS-2345

National Cancer Institute – 800-4 CANCER website: <http://cancernet.nci.nih.gov/cgi-bin/>

[www.ama-assn.org/cgi-bin/AT-jama\\_womenssearch.cgi](http://www.ama-assn.org/cgi-bin/AT-jama_womenssearch.cgi)

[www.graylab.ac.uk/cancernet/101176.html](http://www.graylab.ac.uk/cancernet/101176.html)

<http://www.wcn.org/>

This report is provided to help you understand your pathology test result and to review your treatment options. Other treatment options and additional information may also be available. Please consult your doctor with any questions you may have. Only you and your doctor can decide which treatment is best for your condition based on your medical history and condition.

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