West Hertfordshire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

The WID-easy Test Information Leaflet

Your clinician has ordered a WID-easy test, as part of the investigation of your symptoms.
This document provides an overview of the test.

1. Background

Approximately 3 out of 100 people that experience abnormal uterine bleeding will be diagnosed with endometrial cancer. Traditionally, these patients may have had to undergo a series of diagnostic procedures to determine whether cancer is present or not. The WID-easy test has been developed as an alternative approach to more accurately and quickly assess whether a patient may be at high or low risk of endometrial cancer.

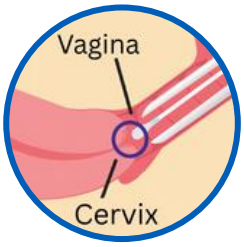
The test, which requires a swab sample to be taken from the vagina has been shown to be very promising as a tool to improve the diagnostic pathway.

Please note: You are **not** eligible to have the WID-easy test if you have had intercourse in the past 24 hours and/or any gynaecological procedures in the past 72 hours.

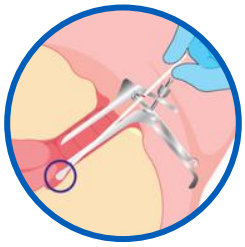
2. What happens if you are asked to have the test

Your clinician will invite you to attend a short clinic appointment to have a sample taken. In this appointment you will be given the opportunity to ask questions. Your clinician will take a sample (<10 seconds) using a speculum from your vagina and behind your cervix. The sample swab will then be placed in a secure vial and then sent to a lab for testing.

The WID-easy test is a UKCA marked test and testing is undertaken by an NHS laboratory within England and follows standard NHS processes. Your sample, labelled with your name, NHS number and Date of Birth, is transported in sealed packaging to the laboratory for processing. Please speak to a team member if you have concerns about this process.



First sample location


Second sample location


Sample storage

3. What happens after the sample has been taken?

Your sample will be sent to a local laboratory where it will be analysed using PCR (like a Covid test). Within a few days the test result will be sent to your clinician. A member of the local team will then contact you to advise on the next steps.

If you receive a ‘Low Risk’ result, you are at very low risk of having cancer. Depending on whether you have any risk factors you may be discharged back to your GP, who will advise on next steps, or you will be invited to attend a follow-up clinic within 6-8 weeks.

If you receive a ‘High Risk’ result, you will be at higher risk of having cancer. The local team will contact you to arrange a further diagnostic procedure.

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