Dear Colleagues,

The current COVID-19 pandemic has created unprecedented changes to the way gynaecological cancer treatment is delivered in the UK. Many aspects of the patient pathway are affected, and treatments prioritised/modified. The way we work has changed very quickly.

UK Covid and Gynaecological Cancer Study (UKCOGS) is being launched today as a multi-phased study of recording and assessing changes and outcomes in patient care across the whole of patient pathway and within the multi-disciplinary team context. The situation we are in is unique, and there is an onus on us all to try and gain insight into the extent of the impact on patients' care and outcomes.

This is an important study and for it to be successful we need widespread engagement and support. We invite all centres and units who treat gynaecological cancers to take part in this important study.
Phase-1 is classed as an audit and is implementable straight away. We aim to gather some baseline data around treatment decision making, outcomes through a one-page data collection sheet. We would like you to fill this for each patient discussed at your MDT. You will be provided data collection proforma and access to an IG-tool kit compliant online database (REDCap) for entering data.
Aspects of this study in Phase-2 and Phase-3 will need ethics approval and will be undertaken once this has been obtained.

The study is endorsed and supported by the BGCS, RCOG, NCRI Gynaecological Cancers CSG, and Gynaecological cancer charities Ovacome, The Eve Appeal, Target Ovarian Cancer, Jo's Trust, Ovarian Cancer Action and GO Girls.

We invite expressions of interest from all centres and units. If you are willing to collaborate and participate in this please fill in the attached form and email it to the UKCOGS team at bcc-ukcogs@qmul.ac.uk
All centres/units who enter patients will be recognised in any publication that arise from this work.

We hope you will become involved.

Kind regards

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