

Overview

For many years, pelvic exenteration has been undertaken at the Royal Marsden. Within the field of gynaecological cancer, the most common indication is recurrent gynaecological cancer in previously irradiated patients, who, in addition, often have also had chemotherapy and gynaecological surgery.

Although these operations are numerically a small part of the practice of colorectal, urological, and gynaecological cancer surgeons, they are resource and labour-intensive, requiring long operating times, intensive care, and long hospitalisation. Key considerations are case selection, and a well-planned and coordinated team approach involving diagnostic specialists, surgical specialists including plastic, urologic, and reconstructive surgeons, anaesthetists, and clinical nurse specialists (CNS). The balance is to maximise outcomes in terms of survival while minimising short and long-term morbidity, maintaining or improving the patient's quality of life.

The conference will highlight current practice, recent improvements, and innovations in pelvic exenteration practice for recurrent gynaecological cancers. Topics to be covered include:

- UK practice / Case referrals
- Case selection / preparing patients / CNS role
- Cases not operated on
- Team working
- Surgical planning / intra-operative decisions
- Postop problems – immediate and early
- Complex wound problems
- Outcomes and QoL; post-op surveillance; CNS role
- Defining risk of relapse and possibility of additional treatments
- What's new / what's the future:
- Robotics
- Lab-based research on irradiated and non-irradiated tissues
- Adjuvant treatment
- Long term survivorship
- UKPEN

This highly interactive programme should be of great interest to those who look after such patients, particularly gynaecological oncology trainees, consultant gynaecological oncologists, and clinical nurse specialists.

We look forward to you joining us in November for this exciting conference.

Organisers:

Mr Des Barton and Mr Owen Heath

Gynaecological Cancer Surgeons

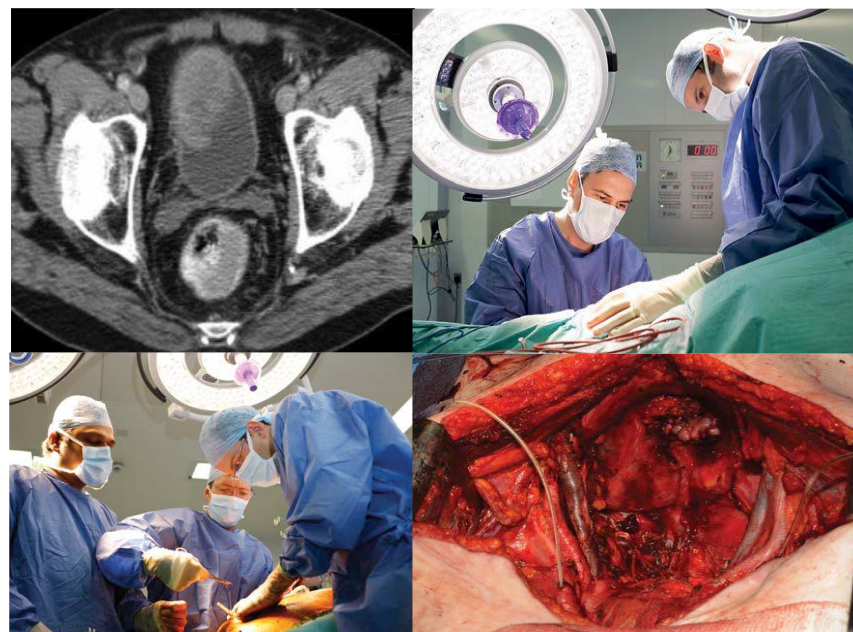
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Pelvic Exenteration Surgery for Gynaecological Malignancies:

An Interactive Programme on Current Practice and Future Directions

Friday 6th November 2026



Cost:

£150 Full Delegate

£100 Trainees and CNSs

Venue:

The Royal Marsden Conference Centre,
Stewart's Grove, Chelsea, London, SW3
6JJ

Register:

<https://www.royalmarsden.nhs.uk/PelvicExenteration>

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PROGRAMME

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08:40 Registration and Coffee

09:00 Welcome and Introduction

Historical Review of Pelvic Exenteration

10:00 Which Patients are Suitable for Exenteration Surgery?
Patient Pathways / Patient and Referral Pathways

10:30 Pre-Operative Planning and Work –Up

11:30 Coffee Break

11:45 **SURGICAL PLANNING**

Preoperative Radiology

Pathology: Frozen Section

Intraoperative Decisions

Urology Update

Plastics Update

12:30 Lunch & Exhibition Networking Session

13:15 Surgical Complications

13:45 Patient's Perspective

14:00 Case Presentation 1

14:20 Case Presentation 2

14:40 Case Presentation 3

15:00 Coffee Break

15:15 Post Pelvic Exenteration Treatment

15:35 Case Presentation 4

15:55 UKPEN & Future Directions

16:15 Closing Remarks

