

Post coital bleeding

RFQs

- What are your periods like? Do you bleed between periods?
- How is sex? Is it painful when you have sex?
- When was your last smear?
- Might you be at risk of sexually transmissible infections? When were you last checked?
- Have you done a pregnancy test?
- We need to arrange for your cervix to be examined. Would you be happy for my nurse, or a female doctor to do that today? We can also take swabs to check for sexually transmissible infections.

Safety net:

Your cervix looks normal today. If you continue to bleed after sex beyond 6 weeks, I should refer you to a specialist, please make a phone appointment to let me know. We never find a cause for this in half of women with this symptom but perhaps 2 or 3% of women who bleed after sex may have cervical cancer.

Please phone for the results of your swabs next week to check that you don't have any sexually transmissible infections. And let me know if you are in pain, deep inside, when you are having sex.