Cystoscopy (with possible botulism injection)

Cystoscopy is a diagnostic procedure which involves the passing of a tiny telescope into your bladder so the doctor/nurse can have a look to decide if there is a reason for the symptoms you have and subsequently decide upon an effective treatment.

The telescope is inserted through the urethra, the tube into the bladder and whilst doing so the practitioner will also look at the lining of the urethra. Your bladder is filled with sterile fluid and the doctor may take biopsies (tissue samples) if required for examination in the laboratory. You may have some botulinum toxin (botox) injected into the bladder if the doctor/nurse feels this is appropriate for you; this may extend the length of the procedure.

Your procedure will take place in Clinic 25; this is based on Daphne ward in the Rosie Hospital. Before and after the cystoscopy you will wait in the waiting room; you are welcome to bring someone with you. Generally you will be in the clinic for approximately two hours.
For further information see:

**Patient information and consent to Cystoscopy.**
Please note this is specifically for women who have cystoscopy under general anaesthesia.

You can also contact the Urogynaecology Clinical Nurse Specialists via Switchboard on 01223 245151 and ask for bleep 157952 or 159216 Monday to Friday 08:00-16:00.

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**Useful websites:**
International Urogynaecological Association.
Email: [www.iuga.org](http://www.iuga.org)
[https://www.yourpelvicfloor.org/media/Cystoscopy.pdf](https://www.yourpelvicfloor.org/media/Cystoscopy.pdf)

Bladder and Bowel Community
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