

DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING & NUCLEAR MEDICINE

WHY AM I BEING ASKED TO COMPLETE THE INCLUSIVE PREGNANCY STATUS FORM?

The Inclusive Pregnancy Status (IPS) form is given to all patients aged 12–55 when their pelvic area may be exposed to radiation. Before your imaging appointment, the radiographer will use this form to ask you some important questions about any potential pregnancy because a fetus is at greater risk from the harmful effects of radiation. To perform the imaging test safely we need to know if you are or might be pregnant.

The IPS form also ensures the doctors reviewing your images are aware of your sex registered at birth, as sometimes this is relevant to your diagnosis. It also ensures that the doctors reviewing your images are aware of natural physical variations you might have in your pelvic anatomy. Please inform the radiographer if you are aware that you were born with an intersex variation, also known as variations in sex characteristics (VSC) or diverse sex development (DSD). We acknowledge that you might prefer to use a different term when informing the radiographer of this.

PLEASE BE AWARE

you might still be able to become pregnant if you are taking testosterone

Patient safety and privacy

If you do not want to have your gender history recorded, please inform your radiographer. You can ask to speak to them in private if you wish.

