Dear Colleagues,

This is an update about the AGC (Acute Gynecology Clinic). This clinic will re-start accepting referrals on October 24th, 2015. Please see the changes in referral criteria below.

The goal of this clinic is to improve patient care and manage patient flow through the ER, preventing patients from waiting a prolonged period of time for semi-urgent gynecological consultation. There is also an educational component, as the clinic will be run by the chief gynecology resident under staff supervision.

**TIME/LOCATION:**
The clinic will run every Friday afternoon from 1PM-4PM in the Baruch/Weisz Outpatient clinic on the ground floor at NYGH.

**REFERRALS:** This clinic is for ACUTE issues only.

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<td>patients who need urgent gynecology consultation (for significant anemia, risk of malignancy, or large ovarian cysts with pain)</td>
<td>- pregnant patients</td>
<td>- postmenopausal bleeding</td>
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<td>- chronic gynecology issues (ie. chronic pelvic pain, endometriosis, prolapse)</td>
<td>- ovarian cysts &gt;7cm</td>
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<td>- patients under care of a gynecologist</td>
<td>- menorrhagia with anemia (Hb&lt;90)</td>
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**DECISION MAKING TREE:**

1. Is the patient unstable?  
   - yes: Consult Gyne
   - no: Does the patient need admission?
   - yes: Consult Gyne
   - no: Does the patient need an urgent gyne consult and meet above clinic referral criteria
   - no: Patient to see GP for further work-up, management, and possible non-urgent gynecologic referral
   - uncertain: Call staff OBGYN on call for advice about best place to refer patient
   - yes: Refer AGC

If you have questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,
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