

RCOG/BSUG joint statement on draft NICE guidance on urinary incontinence and pelvic organ prolapse

“The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and The British Society of Urogynaecology welcome The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence’s updated draft guidance on the management of stress urinary incontinence and pelvic organ prolapse.

“We particularly welcome the emphasis on providing women with the support and information they need about all treatment options. This is to ensure they can make informed decisions about the best treatment for their individual circumstances.

“It is very important that women explore the range of non-surgical treatments, such as lifestyle interventions, physical therapies and medications, before considering surgical treatments. It is also crucial that women who need surgical procedures for these oftendistressing and debilitating conditions have access to these treatments.

“The RCOG and BSUG are dedicated to ensuring the safety of non-surgical and surgical treatments for women. We remain committed to working with others to meet the conditions set out by the Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review.”

The RCOG and BSUG are working on a shared decision tool to ensure women are fully informed and explore their non-surgical and surgical treatment options for the management of stress urinary incontinence.

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