

PROCEDURES

- **CHEMOTHERAPY**
- **SURGERY** - removal of:
 - Local Vagina (partial or total)
 - Lymph nodes in groin and/or pelvis
 - Reconstructive plastic surgery
 - Diversion of bowel via stoma (bowel bag)
 - Chemotherapy
- **Radiotherapy** external and/or internal (brachytherapy)

Vaginal Cancer



STAGE _____

GRADE _____

PATIENT NUMBER STICKER HERE

SURGICAL COMPLICATIONS

- Bleeding
- Infection- wound/chest/pelvis/urine
- Damage to bladder/bowel/ureters/nerves/blood vessels
- Secondary procedure to manage complication
- Blood clot
- Swollen or painful legs – lymphoedema
- Lymphocyst

COMMON TREATMENT SIDE-EFFECTS

- Bleeding / Infection
- Inflammation of the bladder, bowel or skin
- Diarrhoea/ incontinence / constipation
- Fatigue & Mood changes
- Menopause symptoms (i.e. hot flashes)
- Sexual dysfunction (vaginal dryness, narrowing/ shortening, painful sex)
- Hair loss
- Swollen or painful legs – lymphoedema
- Abnormal connection between bowel or bladder and vagina (fistula)
- Neuropathy (numbness of hands and feet)

