

Surgical procedures performed by A/Prof Helen O'Connell – click on each procedure--link for info sheet

PROCEDURE	INDICATION
Bladder Neck Incision (Male & Female)	Bladder Neck Incision is performed on individuals, who are having difficulty passing urine due to obstruction from a tight bladder neck or enlargement of the prostate. After the operation the urinary flow is stronger, the bladder's capacity will be greater.
Botox	Botox is used for the treatment of overactive muscles which cause various forms of muscle spasm and spasticity. The bladder muscle can also become somewhat automatic in its behaviour, or overactive, contracting involuntarily. Botox can be used to decrease this activity. The result of injecting Botox into the bladder muscle is to suppress episodes of incontinence and increase the bladder's capacity.
Bulkamid	Women or men with stress incontinence may respond to this treatment.
Cystocele Repair (Bladder prolapse)	Normalising of position of prolapsed bladder. Sling used to provide new support for prolapse repair
Cystoscopy	Typical problems investigated with cystoscopy include recurrent bleeding, recurrent cystitis or painful bladder syndrome. The cystoscopy is performed to diagnose the cause and type of bladder problem, grade its severity and rule out serious causes for your symptoms.
Flexible cystoscopy	Flexible cystoscopy is an investigative procedure to look inside the bladder and urethra to find out what the problem is.
Pubovaginal (Fascial) Slings	The surgical placement of a 'pubovaginal sling' is a treatment for stress incontinence +/- bladder prolapse
Fluoroscopic Urodynamic Studies (FUDS)	This is a test of bladder and urethral function. Conditions evaluated using this test include urinary leakage (incontinence), voiding difficulty, recurrent infections, prostate obstruction, painful bladder conditions, genital prolapse and others
TURP	Blockage of the prostate, can occur with ageing and influence of male hormones, it is often benign (BPH) Occasionally the operation is done to improve urine flow in prostate cancer.
Urethrolisis	Urethrolisis is a procedure to free the urethra from surrounding tissue. It is often done when the urethra is partially obstructed