



Address & contact details

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Location	118 Wellington Parade, East Melbourne, Vic, Australia 3002

How to get to the Fertility Control Clinic

Car	Wellington Parade - 2hr parking Powlett Street - 2hr parking Simpson Street - 2hr parking George Street - 2hr parking Pullman Hotel Parking
Train	Jolimont Station - Hurstbridge Line Jolimont Station - Mernda Line
Tram	Jolimont Station/MCG # 48 and 75 Simpson St/Wellington Pde # 48 and 75
Bus	Bridge Rd # 246

Hours of operation

Monday	7:45am-5:00pm
Tuesday	7:45am-5:00pm
Wednesday	7:45am-5:00pm
Thursday	7:45am-5:00pm
Friday	7:45am-5:00pm
Saturday (alternate)	7:45am-12:00pm
Sunday	Closed

Doctors

Dr Louis Rutman	MBBS, Dip Obs RCOG
Dr Greg Levin	MBBS, Family Planning Certificate
Dr Kathy Lewis	MBChB, BSc (Hons)
Dr Ian Roberts	MBBS, MRCOG, FRCOG

About us

The Fertility Control Clinic was established in 1972 to provide private, confidential and woman- centred sexual and reproductive health care services.

The clinic's services adhere to best practice standards and guidelines for the care of women seeking an abortion, contraception and management of STIs.

The clinic is also a registered health care facility and all its services including allied health (ultrasound, pathology) are accredited.

Care is provided by a team of health care professionals including registered medical practitioners, specialist medical practitioners, nurses, pathologists, scientists, counsellors and administrative team.

Our vision is to improve sexual and reproductive health for all Australian women.

The surgical abortion steps

Counselling Session

IA urine pregnancy test will be performed to confirm the pregnancy. An intake counsellor will meet with you to discuss your situation, options, abortion steps and contraception.

Medical Examination

A doctor will conduct a general examination and order pathology tests. An ultrasound may also be performed to determine how many weeks pregnant you are.

Pathology Tests

The doctor will order pathology tests that will be essential to your care and management e.g. pregnancy hormone (HCG), haemoglobin level and blood group type.

Hospital Admission

A nurse will take you from the waiting room to a patient change room and ask you to change into a theatre gown. The anaesthetist will meet with you to discuss the procedure and then you will be walked into theatre. The procedure will take 5 – 10 minutes to perform.

Post-Operative Session

After the procedure you will be transferred to the recovery area where you will be monitored for up to 1 hour. When our medical team are satisfied with our progress, you will be taken to the discharge lounge. Here you will be offered a drink and provided with instructions for your care at home. You will be discharged when you are feeling ready to go home and your carer has come to collect you.

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Frequently asked questions

How is a surgical abortion performed?

Up to 12 weeks, the procedure involves gentle suction to remove the contents of the uterus and end the pregnancy.

Is a surgical abortion safe?

It is a safe procedure and serious complications are rare. Your fertility is not affected by the procedure.

What are the risks associated with a surgical abortion?

The overall complication rate for a surgical abortion is very low. Some risks include incomplete abortion and infection. All these risks are minimised when a competent medical team is responsible for your care.

What is the cost of a surgical abortion?

The cost of the procedure will be explained to you prior to your admission and will vary depending on a number of factors including if you have a Medicare, private health insurance, concession or pension card.

Privacy

Our services are private, confidential and woman-centred.

After Care

We care about your well-being and provide a 24 hr 7 days/week telephone service (03) 9419 2922.