

Clarification of Early Pregnancy Assessment Clinic (EPAC/EPP) Referral Criteria

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Included:

- Suitable for virtual appointment (initial appointment often virtual)
- Not requiring urgent ultrasound (clinic does not have ultrasound privileges)
- Bleeding in pregnancy after 6 weeks as determined by LMP or ultrasound
- Non-viable pregnancies (missed or incomplete miscarriages) after 6 weeks
- Pregnancy of unknown location, with BHCG and ultrasound reports attached

Excluded (should be managed by GP):

- Pregnancies under 6 weeks gestation
- Live intrauterine pregnancies, even if there is cramping
- Cramping in early pregnancy, without bleeding

Referral to Gyne on call:

- Active bleeding in early pregnancy
- Unstable patient
- Severe anemia with Hb <80
- Suspected or proven ectopic pregnancy

Notes:

- Patients must have an appointment: do not send directly to the clinic
- Not for emergency presentations: these should be assessed in ED
- "New" but related concerns: assessed by GP/ED first
- Postop concerns: patient to contact operating surgeon next business day or ED if urgent