

Ovarian Cancer Red Flags

Be aware

**New diagnosis
of IBS in the >50s**

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**New onset 'overactive bladder'/
'recurrent UTI' in >50s**

- ▶ Ovarian cancer may be misdiagnosed as irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), overactive bladder or recurrent urinary tract infection.
- ▶ First presentation with IBS in the >50s is rare.
- ▶ Women in this age group who have experienced recurrent symptoms within the last 12 months that suggest IBS should be offered a CA125 blood test and considered for USS pelvis and abdomen.
- ▶ Recurrent symptoms of 'urinary tract infection' should always be investigated by sending the mid-stream urine for culture.
- ▶ If the urine is repeatedly sterile, and the woman is >50, a CA125 blood test and USS pelvis and abdomen should be considered.

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