## Number of women in Australia who have had transvaginal mesh implants and related matters Submission 2



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I am talking about a prolapse operation I hah around 2005 or 2006 at	hospital

Which they inserted transvaginal mesh

From day one it did not feel right , when I went back for my follow up to be checked over

I had to drink so much water and wait so long be for going to toilet they said I had to have a full bladder but I could not hold it I had to go to toilet plus I had a lot of pain I think I had a urinal tract infection(UTIs) as they call them at that time but they never picked up on it.

I was going back to urology clinic for 5 or 6 years, then I stopped going as one of the Dr there was

So rude to me, the way he spoke to me was like it was my fault I was having all this trouble getting the UTIs he said I should be drinking craneberry juice and so on and so on.....I was in so much

Pain it was like my whole insides was going to fall out of me, I still get lots of pain in my abdomen

In my lower back and in my groin plus my hips.

SO anyway I was refferred back to the Urology clinic and there they found the Mesh had eroded

And it was coming through the vagina, so they had to put me in for another operation to remove

The mesh though they didn't remove all of it only the pieces that was coming through the vagina

I cannot havea pap smear because of the urogynaeclogical surgery as the speculum cannot pass

Through, they tell me to use ovestin cream but it makes things worse as I get terrible discharge and that causes bad rash.

The operation I had to remove the mesh that was coming through the vagina was in 2009 or 2010

So im still suffering lots of pain and UTIs I have lost count how many I get depressed but don't like taking medication as im on meds for asthma ,arthritis,antibiotics when needed plus pain killers.

I wish to god I never had the operation to fix the prolapse as it was suppose to fix it and it has made

Things so much worse, as when I suffer from the UTIs the pain is so bad it goes right through my whole body and up through my shoulders it is really painfull.