

APPENDIX 1

PETITION

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PETITION: Gynaecological Health Issues

To the Honourable the President and Members of the Senate in Parliament assembled:
The Petition of the undersigned shows:

We believe that Australian females should have basic rights to increased funding for the management and prevention of gynaecological cancers and sexually transmitted infections, and sexual functioning especially in relation to research funding, allocation of basic services and treatment and increased education and community awareness.

Your Petitioners ask/request that the Senate should:

Ensure that the Government upholds Australian females' right to increased funding and support by:

- Immediate increase in research funding for the development of a screening test for ovarian cancer
- Increase funding for the needs of women with gynaecological cancers in the indigenous population and other cultural backgrounds
- Increased research funding to increase awareness and prevention of all gynaecological cancers to the same level as cervical cancer
- Increase education of gynaecological cancer symptoms with GPs and primary care workers to ensure timely diagnosis and treatment
- Recognise the need for, and fund accordingly, psychosocial and psychosexual care for patients and families affected by gynaecological cancers
- Increased funding for research and prevention of Sexually Transmitted Infections and their links with gynaecological cancers and infertility, especially Human papilloma virus vaccine funding and Chlamydia prevention

