

# UROSTOMY ASSOCIATION

Great Britain & Ireland

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Ostomy Association

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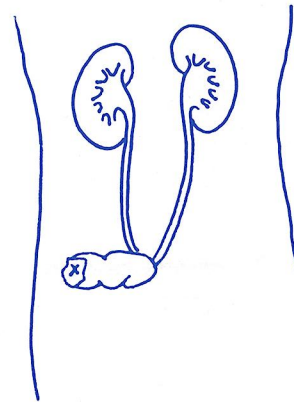
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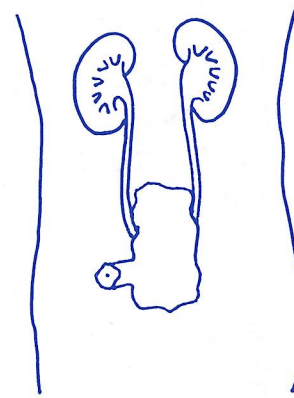
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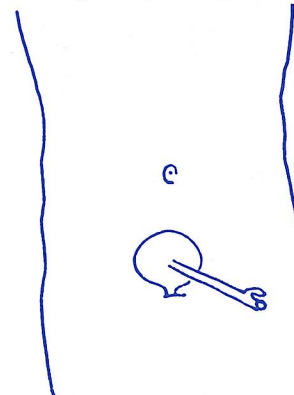
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Ileal loop



Cystoplasty



Suprapubic Catheter

Urinary infection is a common problem. If suspected please take a urine sample with a sterile catheter from within the stoma. Urine from the drainage bag is always contaminated.

A yearly blood pressure, haemoglobin and urea and electrolytes are a useful way to monitor renal function. If stone formation is suspected, a plain abdominal x-ray and ultrasound examination of the urinary tract can be helpful.

Trained stoma nurses are usually available for advice at major hospitals.

The local branch of the Urostomy Association will always be pleased to help.

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The Urostomy Association (UA) was formed to assist people who are about to undergo or have undergone surgery resulting in a Urinary Diversion/Ileal Conduit.

The Association was founded at the Christie Hospital in 1971 by a group of people who realised the special needs of persons with a Urostomy.

### AIMS

The aims and objectives of the Association are fairly widespread, covering many aspects of a person's life.

We assist in whatever way we can, such as helping patients in the period both before and after the operation with such counselling as may be necessary with regard to appliances, housing, work situations, marital problems and assisting them to resume as full a life as possible with every confidence.

### MEETINGS

The Association is administered by a National Executive but each branch holds its own local meetings two or three times a year. At local meetings guest speakers are invited and medical and non-medical topics are discussed. Advice is also available from trained nurses in Stoma Care and Appliance Manufacturers' Representatives are invited to attend, display their products and answer any questions that members may have relating to their appliance.

House meetings may also be arranged between individual branch members. The meetings are often of a social nature, taking in fund-raising aspects and offering individual advice if it is sought. The running of social functions is usually discussed at length.

### VISITING

selected members of the Association who are appropriately instructed are available to visit by request.

### HOSPITAL VISITS

The Association visitor, when requested, will visit a patient both before and after operation to allay any apprehension the patient may have before operation and to give encouragement and moral support in helping the patient return to a normal mode of living after the operation

### HOME VISITS

Home visits may be arranged with the local visitor where a person feels the need to discuss more intimate problems in the privacy of their own home. Problems such as welfare, housing, social and marital are examples of some of the subjects discussed.

### COMMUNICATIONS

The UA Journal is published three times a year and distributed through the local and postal branch.

Members are encouraged to submit articles of a medical or non-medical nature to the Editor.

Lectures are given on Stoma Care by Officers of the Association at branch meetings, for members, at Post-Graduate medical meetings in Hospitals for General Practitioners and Hospital Doctors and in Health Centres for Community Nurses and Health Visitors.

### RESEARCH

To promote and co-ordinate research in connection with urinary conditions and particularly the development of equipment.

### MEMBERSHIP

Full membership is available to all persons having a Urinary Diversion.

Associate membership is open to those who are not eligible for full membership but who are nevertheless interested in the Association.

Postal membership is available for members who live in areas where a branch has not yet been established, or who wish to correspond as an individual, where attending a local branch may not be practical. Postal membership is not confined to residents of the United Kingdom as we have Postal members in Ireland, Europe, Australia and South Africa.

### SUBSCRIPTION

The annual subscription (2000) is £7.00 per annum for both full and associate members.

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### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & REGISTRATION FORM

#### ALL PERSONAL DETAILS ARE TREATED AS CONFIDENTIAL

Full Name .....  
Address .....  
Post Code .....  
Occupation: (Present/previous) .....

#### DETAILS OF YOUR OPERATION

OPERATION TYPE (delete): Ileal Conduit (Urostomy)/Continent Diversion/Ureterostomy/Suprapubic Catheter  
Date of Operation ..... Hospital .....  
Consultant Surgeon ..... Age at Operation .....

Was your operation performed because you lost control of your bladder?

Yes/No



Please use BLOCK CAPITALS

Single/Married/Widow/Widower

## OTHER DETAILS

Are you a member of any other Association? .....

Do you need transport to and from meetings if this can be provided .....

If you have your own transport, would you be willing to transport others to meetings? .....

~~In the future, would you consider serving as a Committee Member?~~  Yes/No

Any other information you feel we should know? .....

## JOINING THE UROSTOMY ASSOCIATION:

I Wish to become a Full/Associate member of the Urostomy Association  
I enclose my cheque for £7.00 being the current annual subscription made payable to UROSTOMY ASSOCIATION.

Signature: ..... Date: .....

PLEASE SEND THIS FORM TO:

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