The Division of Gynecologic Oncology is launching a new clinic to serve patients in BC with high hereditary risk for gynecologic cancer. The mission of this clinic is to improve the quality of peri-operative care, education and hormone therapy support for patients embarking on preventative gynecologic surgery.

**What does this clinic offer?**

**Menopause management**

Patients who have had risk-reducing oophorectomy require ongoing expert advice about management of menopause. Our specialty service offers evidence-based guidance about hormone use and post-operative care.

**Preventative Surgical Decision Support**

Many families have inconclusive or negative genetic testing but may still be at high risk for ovarian or endometrial cancer. We can assess patients with a worrisome family history of ovarian cancer and assist with decisions about surgery or prevention.

**Access to Research**

Patients at high hereditary risk benefit from access to research about prevention and risk reduction. Our team will ensure that patients and families in BC have access to research studies and clinical trials.

**Who to refer?**

- Patients having risk reducing gynecologic surgery due to a known mutation in BRCA1&2, BRIP1, RAD51C, RAD51D, PALB2 or Lynch Syndrome.
- Patients with uninformative genetic testing (no mutation OR variant of uncertain significance) and concerns about family cancer history.
- Patients requiring complex post-surgical menopause care.
- Patients requesting individualized assessment and advice regarding hereditary risk and prophylactic surgery options.

**Questions?**

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