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CHRONIC PELVIC PAIN, ENDOMETRIOSIS and ADHESIONS NIH Research Study

Chronic Pelvic Pain Can Affect Your Quality of Life

Doctors at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) invite the members and visitors of the International Adhesions Society to take part in a **PAIN RELIEF** research study for women with **ENDOMETRIOSIS**.

What is the purpose of the study?

- ◆ To find out if the drug, **Raloxifene**, reduces pain following surgical removal of endometriosis
- ◆ To determine if Raloxifene affects the recurrence of endometriosis and adhesions, using a second laparoscopy

What will the study involve?

- ◆ The study will combine surgical treatment of endometriosis and adhesions with either raloxifene or a placebo (sugar pill).
- ◆ The study will offer women a “whole-person” approach to managing endometriosis and pain, including psychological, social, physical, and quality-of-life issues; offering referrals to other resources as needed.

Where does the study take place? At the NIH Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland, just outside of Washington, DC.

What does it cost to take part? All study-related care, surgery, medication is free.

You may be eligible to take part if you:

Are between the ages of 18-45

- ◆ Have a 3-month history of pelvic pain.
- ◆ Have normal menstrual cycles (25-34 days)

You may not be eligible if you:

- ◆ Have been treated for endometriosis within the past 6 months.
- ◆ Take birth control or chronic disease medications
- ◆ Are pregnant or planning to become pregnant within 2 years.
- ◆ Have had a total or partial hysterectomy

NIH studies are conducted under U.S. Food and Drug Administration safety and testing standards.

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