



CHAPTER

Introduction to Urogynaecology

What is Urogynaecology (Uro-gy-ne-co-lo-gy)?

The word “**Urogynaecology**” is made up of three parts. The first part “uro” describes the urinary tract, “gynaeco” comes from the Greek word “gyno” which refers to a woman or the female sex, and “logy” comes from the Greek word “logia” which means study.

In brief, urogynaecology is the study of the female urinary and genital tract. It is a sub-specialisation in the field of gynaecology which addresses female bladder problems and pelvic floor dysfunction.

Doctors specialising in this field are known as urogynaecologists. They are obstetricians and gynaecologists who have undergone further training in urogynaecology and pelvic reconstructive surgery.