

A group of four diverse professionals (two men and two women) are gathered around a table in an office setting, looking at a laptop screen together. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a modern, collaborative work environment. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font.

Welcome to the
2025 WOMENtum

Together, let's advance women's intimate health,
break barriers, and address taboos!

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**Break cultural taboos
about the vulva
and vagina**



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Muff Busting: Breaking Gynaecological Taboos

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Holy shit, I tweeted this on a whim but now I think it might be a life goal.



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PEOPLE there is a penis museum in Iceland but no vagina museum ANYWHERE.
Who wants to start one with me?

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Normal or Not Normal?

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What is normal?
Is it something that
can really be defined?



What is not normal?
Is it something that
can really be defined?



Pain

What is a common cause of pain?



Hysteria and the Wandering Womb

In ancient Europe and the Middle East it was believed that the womb was an independent organ that it had its own blood vessel around the body.

What is the cause?
What is the effect?
What is the result?

What is Endometriosis?

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Endometriosis is when cells similar to ones in the lining of the womb, also known as the endometrium, grow somewhere that isn't the inside of the uterus.

Just like endometrial cells, these cells respond to hormones for growing and sometimes even bleeding, just like a period. Unlike in the uterus, there's no way for the cells and blood to escape, so it's stuck trapped, causing lumps, pain, inflammation and scarring.

Usually, endometriosis is found growing in the pelvis, pelvis lining, the ovaries, the bowel and the bladder but up to 30% of people with the disease have outside the pelvis, as far reaching as the lungs or brain.

It affects 10% of people assigned female at birth - but there may be even more as there are so many barriers to diagnosis.



- heavy menstrual bleeding
- chronic pelvic pain
- extreme period pain
- bleeding between periods
- blurring
- pain during or after sex
- fatigue
- depression
- difficulty getting pregnant
- nausea
- chronic pain outside the pelvis



Endometriosis Friendly Employer Scheme

Work and endometriosis aren't always compatible - calling in sick regularly, commuting can be impossible, it's a struggle to keep down a job and career progress can be stunted.

And it's just as hard for those who aren't sick leave. The disease causes pain and fatigue to have a 2 hours of work per week.

Endometriosis UK has an Endometriosis Friendly Employer Scheme where employers commit to making an environment where employees with endometriosis can thrive at work. This may include changing policies to allow for flexible hours and remote working or providing managers and employees with information resources.





Our Values

Respect.

Integrity.

Empowerment.

Inclusiveness.

Our Charitable Objects

The advancement of education and the promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by establishing and maintaining a museum and collections focused on gynaecological anatomy and its place in science, culture, society and history

Our Mission

01 .

Spread knowledge and raise awareness of the gynaecological anatomy and health

02 .

Give confidence to people to talk about issues surrounding the gynaecological anatomy

03 .

Erase the stigma around the body and gynaecological anatomy

04 .

Act as a forum for feminism, women's rights, the LGBT+ community and the intersex community

05 .

Challenge heteronormative and cisnormative behaviour

06 .

Promote intersectional, feminist and trans-inclusive values



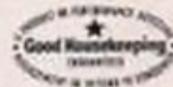
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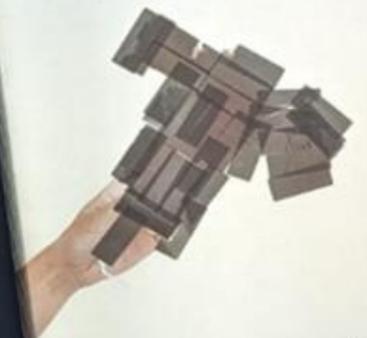
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It's 2024 and it's time to finally challenge the status quo. What if your trusty sample for STI screening could tell you about your gynaecological health? Insert Daye's Diagnostic and enter a new Day(e) in gynae health.

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Following

Tampons should not be free, why does everyone keep saying they should be?? if u can't control ur bladder then that's not taxpayers problem!

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Vaginagate: US politician banned for saying 'vagina' in abortion bill debate

Michigan Democrats' Lisa Brown told vagina was 'offensive' as another woman is also gagged after proposing vasectomy ban

Sam Jones

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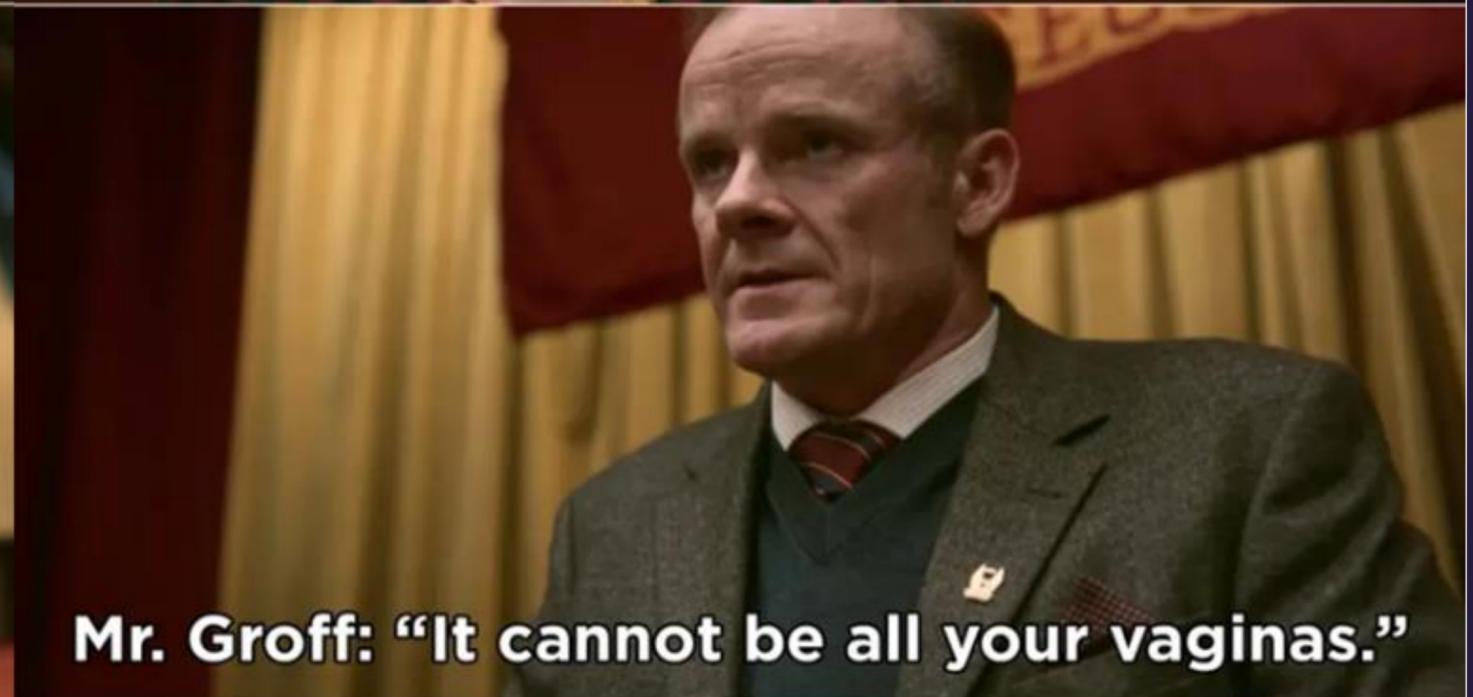
Olivia: "That is my vagina in the photo."



Aimee: "You're both wrong. It's my vagina."



Maeve: "No, it's my vagina."



Mr. Groff: "It cannot be all your vaginas."



Vagina Museum

Published by Zoe Catta · 17 February ·

Do you find lighter patches in your dark underwear? IT'S NORMAL! The vagina is acidic, and has a pH of 3.8-4.5. That's acidic enough to bleach fabric. These spots aren't stains from blood or discharge - the material has been bleached by a perfectly healthy vagina.

These knickers are featured in our #Muffbusters exhibition, and we get a lot of feedback from people who didn't know this happens, or why it happens, or who feel validated to learn it isn't just them. There's no s... See more



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Why you will find light patches in female underwear



Those Bleached Patches On Your Underwear Are Perfectly Normal, Vagina Museum Explains

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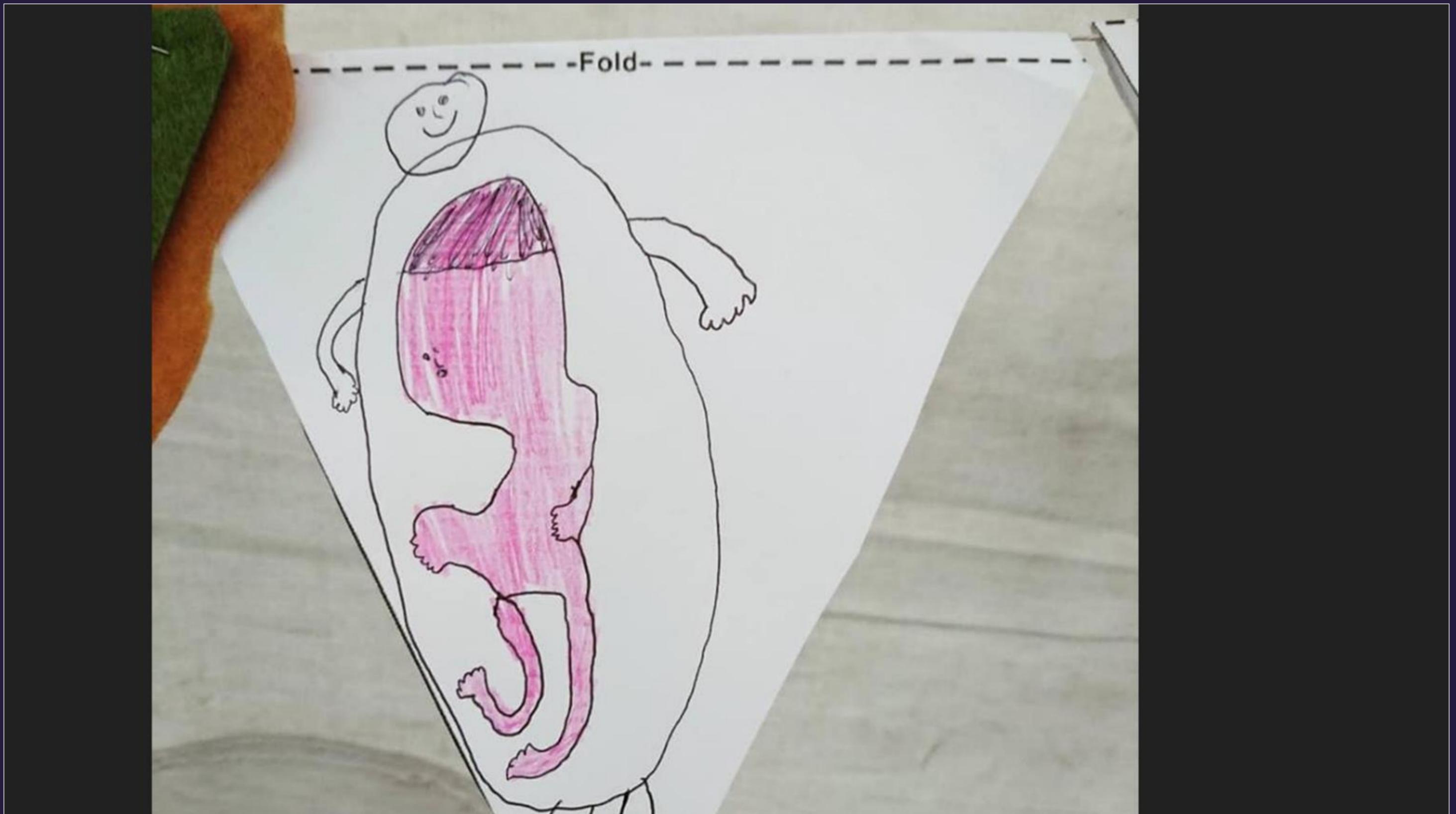
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VAGI-WHAAAAT? Ever noticed a bleached patch in your undies? It's all to do with your vagina







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I study medicine,
soon to graduate,
this never got
taught in a Russell
Group University
Anatomy classes.

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Hi!

Im 11 and I came here today
with my aunty! ~~It was a~~
~~good~~ I feel like you never
really get taught about
things like this at school
or ~~things anywhere~~
anywhere, really.



GIRL

POWER!



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