How to get here:

By Bus - 7,7A or 4 from the City Centre

By DART - Sydney Parade DART station is a short walk from here

By Car: Entrance is via Merrion Road entrance to St Vincent's Private Hospital. There is no vehicular access via Herbert Avenue

Contact Details

St Vincents Private Hospital
Elm Park, Dublin 4
Ireland

01 -263 8030

Radiology@svph.ie

Hospital Parking

Parking is available at the SVPH Underground Car-Park.

There is also an option to park in the SVUH multi-story carpark.

Surface Parking is available for bicycles.

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Appointments

Referrals can be sent to the email listed above.

Referrals from GPs can be sent via Healthlink
(GP Practice Management System)

SVHG Document Control

ST. VINCENT'S PRIVATE HOSPITAL
Elm Park

Triple Assessment Breast Clinic
Patient Information Leaflet

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What is the Triple Asssessment Clinic?

The Triple Assessment Breast Clinic (TAC) is a service which offers patients with urgent breast symptoms rapid access to comprehensive assessment and review within a single visit in our Maple Centre.

Our dedicated TAC is held weekly at SVPH on either a Monday or Thursday. Once referred by your GP or referring consultant, your referral shall be triaged internally and patients will be given an appointment.

Your Triple Assessment appointment will include:

- Radiological Examination (Mammogam/Ultrasound)
- +/-Tissue sampling by a Consultant Radiologist (depending on clinical and radiological findings)
- Clinical Assessment by a Consultant Breast Surgeon

Our Team

All care is delivered by our multi-disicplinary team:

- Consultant Breast Radiologists
- Consultant Breast Surgeons
- Radiographers
- Breast Care and Radiology Nurses
- Breast Histopathologists
- Maple Admin Team

On The Day

Your entire appointment may last up to 4 hours.

We recommend you keep your entire morning free

Tests and Procedures

During your appointment, a combination of tests and examinations may be carried out.
Including but not limited to the following:

- **Tomosynthesis Mamogram** - A 3D X-ray of your breasts will be taken by a professionally trained Radiogapher
- **Breast Ultrasound** - used to assess the breast tissue and determine the location of a breast lump and whether a lump is solid or fluid filled
- **Breast Biopsy** - a needle is inserted into the breast if a lump is found on either your mammogram or ultrasound. A small amount of tissue is sent to our lab for histological assessment
- **Fine Needle Aspiration** - Using a fine needle and syringe, the doctor takes a sample of cells. The sample will be sent to a laboratory to be studied.
- **Cyst Aspiration** - The doctor locates the cyst using ultrasound and using a needle, aspirates and discards the fluid. A sample is only sent to the laboratory if clinically indicated.

Results

If you are attending the Triple Assessment Clinic you will usually get the results of the mammogram and ultrasound on the same day.

However, if you have a breast biopsy or fine needle aspiration, these results will take longer.

Your pathology results will need to be discussed at a multi-disciplinary meeting, and you will be issued an appointment time to return for the results in person.

How much will it cost?

Please check with your insurance company in advance to see if you are coverd. Insurance cover and excesses will vary based on your individual plan.

Some scans may not be directly covered by your insurer. See costing below:

Mammogram : €245

Ultrasound : €260

Consultant Clinical Assessment : €250

Where to locate the Maple Centre

The Maple Centre is our dedicated breast imaging centre and this is located on the 1st Floor of SVPH.

It can be accessed by lift or stairs accessed in the middle of the foye between the atrium and Coffee Dock in SVPH.

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