

## Hematuria (Blood in the Urine)

Blood in the urine can either be **VISIBLE** or **INVISIBLE** (microscopic) but it is **NEVER normal**. This will need to be investigated by Dr. Davenport. We do some basic testing to rule out serious causes of blood in the urine. If we do not find a serious cause for bleeding, this is good, and Dr. Davenport will continue to see you periodically to see if the blood has resolved or is still present.

**The FOUR main places that blood in the urine (hematuria) can come from are:**

- 1) Kidneys
- 2) Ureters (tubes that carry urine to bladder)
- 3) Bladder
- 4) Prostate (In men only)

### Main Causes of Blood in the Urine (Hematuria)

- 1) Urinary tract infections
- 2) Inflammation in the urinary tract
- 3) Kidney or ureteral stones
- 4) Cancer of the urinary tract
- 5) Recent trauma (kidney injury)
- 6) Other rare kidney disorders

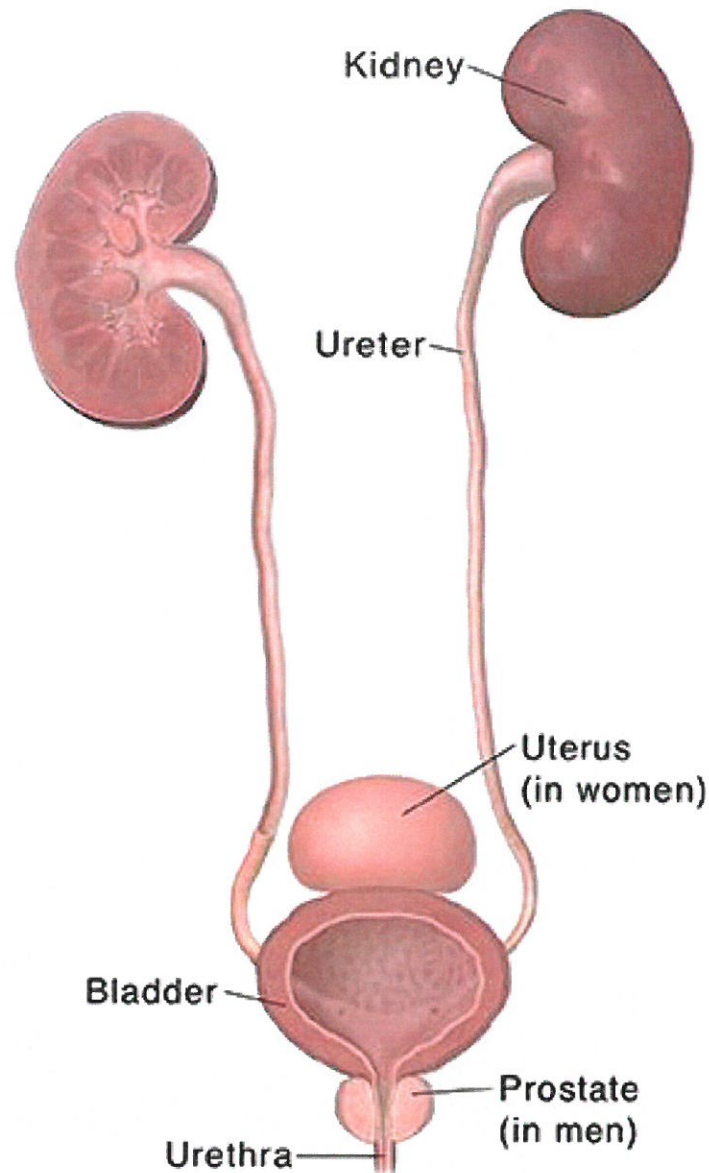


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## WHAT DO WE DO NOW?

**Specialized CT Scan (Urogram)** or other study that shows us the kidney, ureters, and bladder in detail. The nurses will likely schedule this today with you if you haven't had it already.

**Urine testing** for cancer cells.

On your return to get the CT results, we will do a **cystoscopy** (a small camera that looks into the bladder for cancer). This usually takes 20-30 seconds with minimal discomfort.