## What is the Menopause ?





Menopause is when a woman stops having periods.

Menopause usually happens between 45 and 55 years of age

It can start around the same age as when your mum or sisters started their menopause.

The Menopause can happen when you are younger if:

- you have had surgery
- you have had cancer treatments

Symptoms can start before your period stops.

This is called Perimenopause.





## **Menopause Symptoms**

'Symptom' is the word we use to describe how people feel



Feeling depressed and mood swings





Hot Flushes

Aches and pains

Putting weight on



Food Cravings







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## More Menopause Symptoms...





Changes in skin and hair condition



Having a wee more often



Weak Bones

Periods Stop

'Osteopetrosis'



Change in your Periods



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## Who can help?

**GP** Surgery





Your GP or Nurse You can ask for a Female GP or Nurse



You can talk about it at your Annual Health Check



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