

# Side effects of Gynecologic Cancer Radiation Treatment

Organ System	Acute Complications (Days-Months After Treatment)	Late Complications (Months-Years After Treatment)
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acute fatigue</li> <li>• Weight loss</li> <li>• Decreased blood counts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chronic fatigue (uncommon)</li> <li>• Second cancer (rare)</li> </ul>
Skin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Redness</li> <li>• Peeling and/or blistering</li> <li>• Swelling</li> <li>• Tenderness or pain</li> <li>• Pelvic hair loss or thinning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tissue scarring, thickening, firmness (fibrosis)</li> <li>• Coloration changes (lighter or darker)</li> <li>• Tissue thinning</li> <li>• Pelvic hair loss or thinning</li> </ul>
Gynecologic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaginal pain</li> <li>• Hot flashes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaginal dryness</li> <li>• Difficulties with intercourse such as pain and/or narrowing of vagina</li> <li>• Ovarian failure</li> <li>• Infertility</li> </ul>
Urinary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pain or burning with urination</li> <li>• Increased frequency of urination</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Difficulty urinating due to damage to bladder or urethra</li> <li>• Blood with urination</li> </ul>
Gastrointestinal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased frequency of bowel movements</li> <li>• Pain with bowel movements</li> <li>• Loose stools or diarrhea</li> <li>• Nausea/vomiting</li> <li>• Bloating/gas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Difficulty with bowel movements due to damage to anus, rectum, or bowels</li> <li>• Blood with bowel movements</li> <li>• Bowel obstruction</li> <li>• Bowel adhesions</li> <li>• Bowel perforation</li> </ul>
Musculoskeletal		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pelvic or femoral head fracture</li> </ul>
Lymphatic		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lymphedema (swelling of legs)</li> </ul>