Name of petitioner
Denise Hooper

Petition title
Reducing the risk of ovarian cancer

Petition summary
Calling on the Scottish Parliament to urge the Scottish Government to raise public awareness:
- of the importance of the CA125 blood test to help detect ovarian cancer; and
- that endometriosis can cause an increased risk of ovarian cancer.

Action taken to resolve issues of concern before submitting the petition
I have written to Nicola Sturgeon and Hannah Bardell.

Petition background information
I was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in November 2016. Further genetic testing showed the likely cause of my cancer was endometriosis. A simple blood test at the outset by my GP could have highlighted possible ovarian cancer. A screening programme could reduce many incidents of ovarian cancer.

A CA125 test measures the amount of the protein CA125 in blood. In some cases, a CA125 test may be used to look for early signs of ovarian cancer in people with a very high risk of the disease.

Unique web address
https://www.parliament.scot/GettingInvolved/Petitions/PE01779

Related information for petition
I am happy to provide medical evidence as to my case if required. I am on 4 monthly
Do you wish your petition to be hosted on the Parliament’s website to collect signatures online?
YES

How many signatures have you collected so far?
0

Closing date for collecting signatures online
10 / 01 / 2020

Comments to stimulate online discussion
Have you had experience of endometriosis and bloating or IBS type symptoms? If so were you offered a CA125 blood test?
Do you agree that the Scottish Government should do more to raise awareness of the CA125 blood test and the link between endometriosis and ovarian cancer?