Further to your request for information dated 20 January 2016 the information requested is below:

1) In each of the last three calendar years how many women a year are diagnosed with Pelvic Congestion Syndrome (PCS)?

NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) do not hold this information.

2) In each of the last three calendar years how many women have presented with pelvic pain at their GP?

The CCG do not hold information relating to the precise conditions with which patients present to their GP.

3) Of the total number of women who present with pelvic pain at their GP how many are offered an appointment with a gynaecologist?

The CCG do not hold information relating to the precise conditions with which patients present to their GP.

4) In each of the last three calendar years how many women have received a diagnostic test for PCS?

The CCG do not hold information relation to the specific reason for individual diagnostic tests. The CCG commissions a full range of diagnostic interventions which can be directly accessed by GPs or through specialties in secondary care. However, providers do not code tests undertaken with reasons for those diagnostics.

5) On average how many diagnostic tests do women presenting with pelvic pain receive prior to formal diagnosis.

The CCG do not hold information relation to the specific reason for individual diagnostic tests. The CCG commissions a full range of diagnostic interventions which can be directly accessed by GPs or through specialties in secondary care. However, providers do not code tests undertaken with reasons for those diagnostics.

6) What information is offered to women who present with pelvic pain?

All Dartford Gravesham and Swanley GP practices have access to a system which contains a variety of information on a range of conditions which can be printed and given to patients. GPs will determine the appropriate information to be given to patients depending on their presenting condition.
7) On average, how much money a year is spent on diagnostic tests for women presenting with pelvic pain?

The CCG do not hold information relation to the specific reason for individual diagnostic tests. The CCG commissions a full range of diagnostic interventions which can be directly accessed by GPs or through specialties in secondary care. However, providers do not code tests undertaken with reasons for those diagnostics.