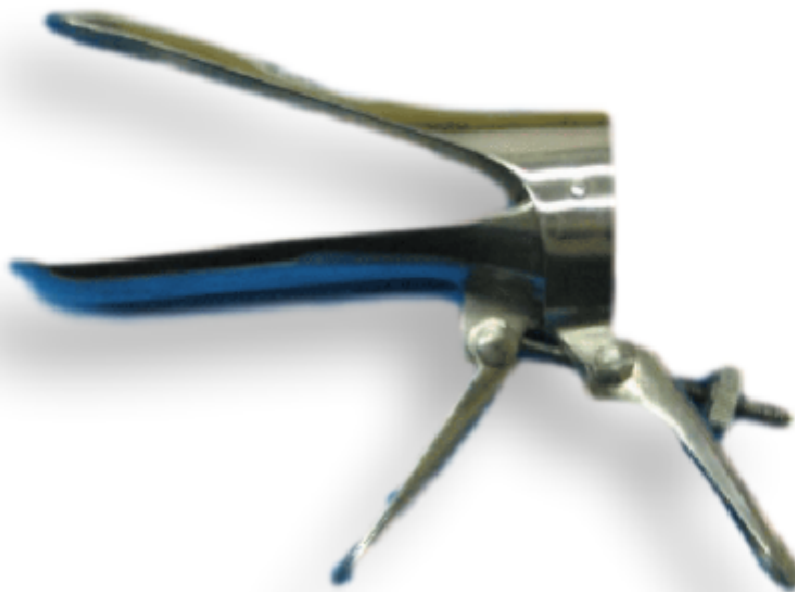




The Cusco's Vaginal Speculum Small (VM-VSCS) is a stainless steel bivalve speculum with a 100mm blade length and thumb screw locking mechanism, designed for nulliparous patients, adolescents, and postmenopausal patients where standard medium or large specula would cause disproportionate discomfort. The VM-VSCS is suitable for Pap smear collection, cervical inspection, and routine gynaecological examination, and is autoclavable at 134°C for safe clinical reuse in accordance with CSSD infection prevention protocols.

Smallest in the Vital Medical Cusco's Range — Designed for Patient Comfort

The Cusco's Vaginal Speculum Small (VM-VSCS) is the smallest size in Vital Medical's Cusco's speculum range, built on the same bivalve duck-bill pattern as the medium and large sizes but with a 100mm blade length that minimises procedural discomfort for patients with smaller anatomy or

increased sensitivity. It is the clinically appropriate first choice for nulliparous patients who have not had previous vaginal deliveries, adolescents presenting for first gynaecological examination, and postmenopausal patients where vaginal atrophy reduces elasticity and increases susceptibility to discomfort from larger instruments. The thumb screw locking mechanism holds the blades at the selected aperture without continuous manual pressure, allowing the clinician full procedural focus during Pap smear collection, cervical inspection, or routine vaginal assessment.

Clinical Sizing Rationale and Best Practice

Correct speculum size selection is a core clinical skill in gynaecological practice. Standard best practice is to begin with the smallest speculum that will provide adequate visualisation for the procedure planned, and to upsize only if cervical access proves insufficient — not to default to a medium or large speculum for all patients. The VM-VSCS supports this approach by providing a 100mm blade option for cases where the VM-VSCM (medium, 110mm) or VM-VSCL (large, 120mm) would be unnecessarily uncomfortable. Using the smallest effective instrument size is a direct contributor to patient experience, procedural compliance, and the likelihood that patients return for future cervical screening.

Material, Sterilisation, and Availability

The VM-VSCS is manufactured from surgical-grade stainless steel and is fully autoclavable at 134°C steam, making it suitable for reprocessing through a central sterile services department (CSSD) or equivalent sterilisation system between patient uses. The instrument should be inspected for mechanical integrity — including the condition of the thumb screw and pivot point — before each use, and cleaned and lubricated at regular intervals to maintain smooth blade action. Available in South Africa from Vital Medical, the VM-VSCS ensures clinics and healthcare facilities can offer appropriately sized instruments across the full range of patients encountered in primary care and specialist gynaecological settings.

Technical Specifications

Specification		Value
VM SKU		VM-VSCS
Type		Cusco's bivalve vaginal speculum
Size		Small
Blade length		100mm
Material		Stainless steel (surgical grade)
Locking mechanism		Thumb screw
Application		Nulliparous patients, adolescents, postmenopausal patients
Sterilisation		Autoclavable — 134°C steam

SKU: VM-VSCS