

# ELIGIBILITY AND HOW TO ACCESS CERVICAL SCREENING

### **Cervical screening**

Cervical screening (also known as a smear test) is a free NHS test that is carried out at your GP surgery or at some sexual health clinics. The test looks for early changes in the cells of the cervix. Cervical screening aims to prevent cancer from developing in the cervix.

It is important to go for screening as finding changes before they become cancer gives you the best chance of successful treatment. Nearly all cervical cancers are caused by human papillomavirus (HPV).



### Transgender men and non-binary people assigned female at birth.

If you are a transgender man or non-binary person assigned female at birth and have a cervix you are at risk of developing cervical cancer.

You are eligible for cervical screening. You will be automatically invited if you have not changed your NHS number to male. Contact your GP to make sure you are included in the cervical screening programme.

#### Intersex people

If you are intersex and unsure if you need a cervical screening, check with your GP.

# If you have had a total hysterectomy

If you're a trans man or a non-binary person assigned female at birth and have had a total hysterectomy you: \*won't have a cervix \*aren't at risk of cervical cancer \*don't need to attend for cervical screening

## Transgender women and non-binary people assigned male at birth

If you are a transgender woman or a nonbinary person assigned male at birth you: \*won't have a cervix \*aren't at risk of cervical cancer \*don't need to attend for cervical screening

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