



# We invite you to be part of the Cervical Cancer Elimination Action Plan consultation

For the first time ever, it is possible to eliminate a cancer in our community. Ireland's Cervical Cancer Elimination Partnership\* is developing an action plan to eliminate cervical cancer as a public health problem by 2040.

This goal can be achieved by making sure all eligible people have access to three important tools to conquer cervical cancer:

- **Vaccination against human papillomavirus (HPV)** which causes most cervical cancers
- **Cervical screening and treatment of precancers** to find HPV infections and signs of changes in the cervix, and treat any abnormalities that are found, before cancer can develop
- **Timely cervical cancer treatment** and access to appropriate care and support services.

This consultation aims to gather areas of good practice and highlight potential gaps and inequities in both services and outcomes. Some groups of people experience higher rates of illness and death from cervical cancer than the general population. We need to generate innovative solutions to close these gaps so that Ireland can enjoy a future largely free from cervical cancer.

We invite you to sign up to receive the consultation survey and share your perspectives to help develop Ireland's Cervical Cancer Elimination Action Plan. The survey is due to be launched to mark Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 22nd to 28th January 2024 followed by focus groups and workshops planned over the first half of 2024.

**Be part of eliminating cervical cancer in Ireland.**

**Sign up to help develop Ireland's  
Cervical Cancer Elimination Action Plan on:  
[publichealth.support@screeningservice.ie](mailto:publichealth.support@screeningservice.ie)**

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\* A partnership comprised of HSE departments with responsibility for HPV vaccination, HPV screening and cervical pre-cancer and cancer treatment, National Cancer Registry Ireland, and patient advocates and advocacy organisations.

## Who we want to hear from

- Patient representatives and members of the public
- CervicalCheck staff
- National Immunisation Office staff
- National Cancer Control Programme staff
- National Women's and Infants Programme staff
- General practices, their staff and primary care services
- National Health Protection Service
- Regional public health departments
- All other HSE staff
- HSE school immunisation teams
- Social Inclusion teams
- Traveller Health Projects
- HIV organisations and health services
- LBGTQI+ health services
- Multicultural community-led organisations
- Young people's organisations and networks that have an interest in health and wellbeing
- Rural and remote area health service providers
- Immunisation services and staff
- Pathology laboratories and their staff
- Colposcopists and gynaecology clinical staff
- Oncology services and medical practitioners in public and private health services
- Palliative care services and staff
- Allied health and community-based support programmes and services that serve people diagnosed with cancer and their families and carers
- Cancer-focused organisations and charities who provide information, support and programmes right across the cancer pathway
- Colleges and associations for medical professionals
- Secondary schools and teachers providing health education, including special schools and non-mainstream schools, and staff who support the HPV vaccination programme in their school
- Healthcare providers working in justice settings
- Department of Health staff
- Department of Education staff
- Parents organisations
- The Boards of Management for schools and their organisations
- Tusla staff
- Non-government organisations working to promote and protect public health
- HPV vaccine alliance members
- And many more...



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