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[Cervical screening - Leeds Health and Care Partnership](https://www.healthandcareleeds.org/cervical-screening/)

Dear

We would like to remind you that your cervical screening test (smear test) is due. Your screening appointment is really important for your health and is free of charge.

Cervical Screening is not a test for cancer. It tests for HPV (human papillomavirus) in the cervix which can develop into cancer if untreated. Even if you have had the HPV vaccine it is still important to protect yourself against cervical cancer by attending your cervical screening appointment.

We want to reassure you this is a routine test that helps save thousands of lives every year in the UK.

The test will be done by a Practice Nurse who will talk you through every step of the test and any questions you may have. You can bring someone to the appointment with you if you wish. Your results will be sent to you at home by letter and NHS App and are completely confidential.

Appointments can be booked in advance. Please contact the practice to book a time that suits you. Please let us know at the time of booking if you have any concerns or specific requests to support you attending the test and we will do our best to accommodate these.

Your health matters to us - together we can stop cancer before it starts.

Further information about the test can be found on the NHS website at [www.nhs.uk/conditions/cervical-screening](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/cervical-screening)

We look forward to hearing from you soon.