Firstname Lastname Address Screening unit Date



RESULT OF CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING

The result of the **papillomavirus (HPV) test was positive**. However, **no cellular changes** were detected in your sample.

This finding does not indicate cancer.



HPV IS COMMON AND IN MOST CASES HARMLESS

Most people get papillomavirus, or HPV, at some stage of their life, and the infection is almost always symptomless. A prolonged HPV infection is the main risk factor for cervical cancer. However, more than 90 per cent of the infections heal on their own within a couple of years. It is still good to take a new sample within one to two years. There is no need to take the sample earlier, as the potential progression of the infection to cancer lasts for a long time, about 7 to 15 years.



NEXT INVITATION

This finding does not require a follow-up examination. You will receive a new invitation for screening within one to two years.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SCREENING AND CERVICAL CANCER

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