

What happens when my healthcare provider collects my sample



Step 1.

You'll be in a private space with your healthcare provider – usually a doctor, nurse, or healthcare worker.



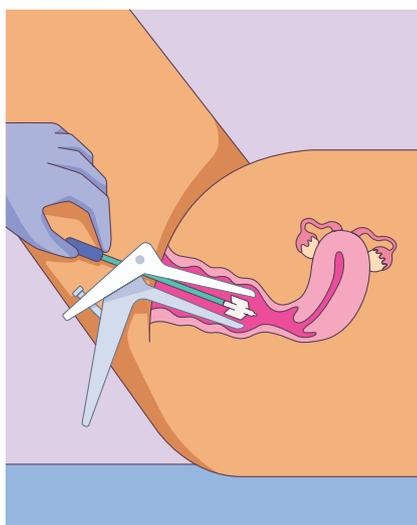
Step 2.

You will be asked to remove your clothes below the waist and lie on your back. You will be given a sheet to cover yourself.



Step 3.

The doctor or nurse will use a device called a speculum, to make it easier to access your cervix.



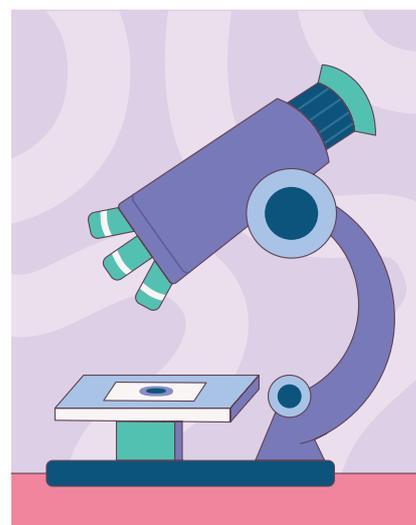
Step 4.

They will then take a small sample of cells from your cervix using a soft brush. It may feel uncomfortable but should not hurt. If it hurts, tell your healthcare provider straight away.



Step 5.

Your healthcare provider will send the sample to a pathology laboratory to be tested.



Step 6.

The pathology laboratory will test your sample and send the results to your healthcare provider.