

# After My Cervical Screening Test



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## After my test

I can call or make an appointment with the doctor or nurse for my results.

They show if I have HVP or not.

There are 4 different situations that can happen.



## 1. Test again in 5 years

The test shows no HPV, which means everything is ok.

I will have another test in 5 years.

I do not need to worry.





## 2. Test again in a few weeks

The self-swab may shows some types of HPV.

The doctor or nurse will ask me to come back for a speculum test.

It does not mean I have cervical cancer.

They are doing more checks to make sure I am healthy.

I can bring someone I trust with me.

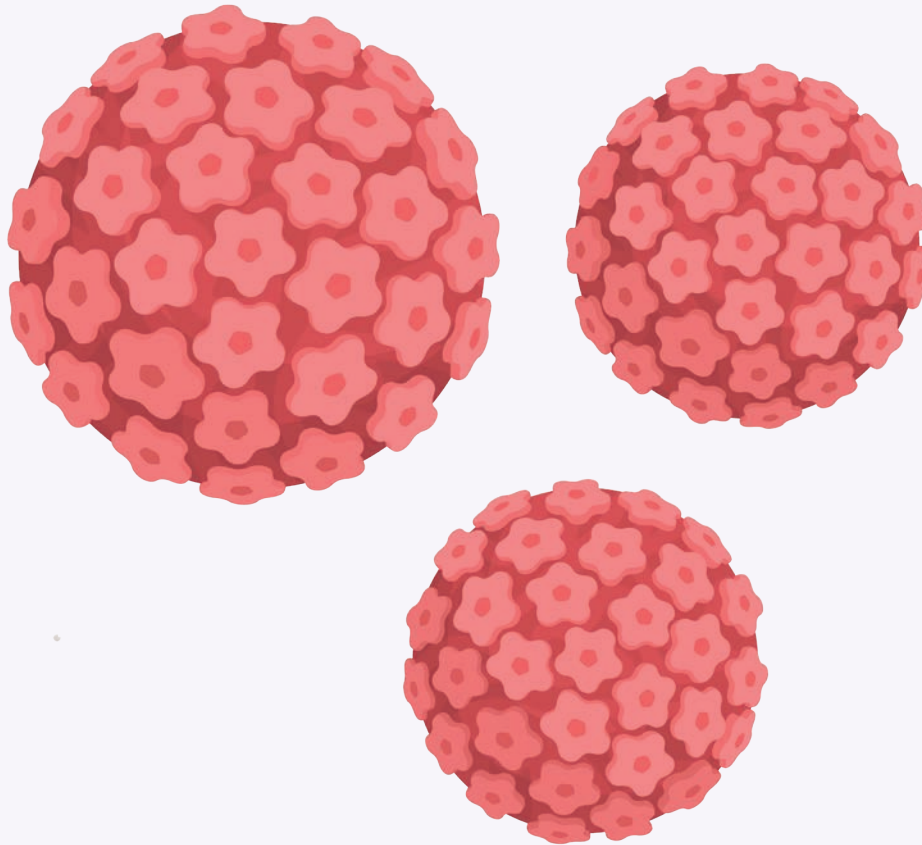


### 3. Test again after one year

Sometimes, the test shows HPV. I will be asked to come back after one year for another test.

This is because some types of HPV often go away by themselves.

It is important to check if the HPV has gone.



#### **4. Test again with a specialist doctor after a few weeks**

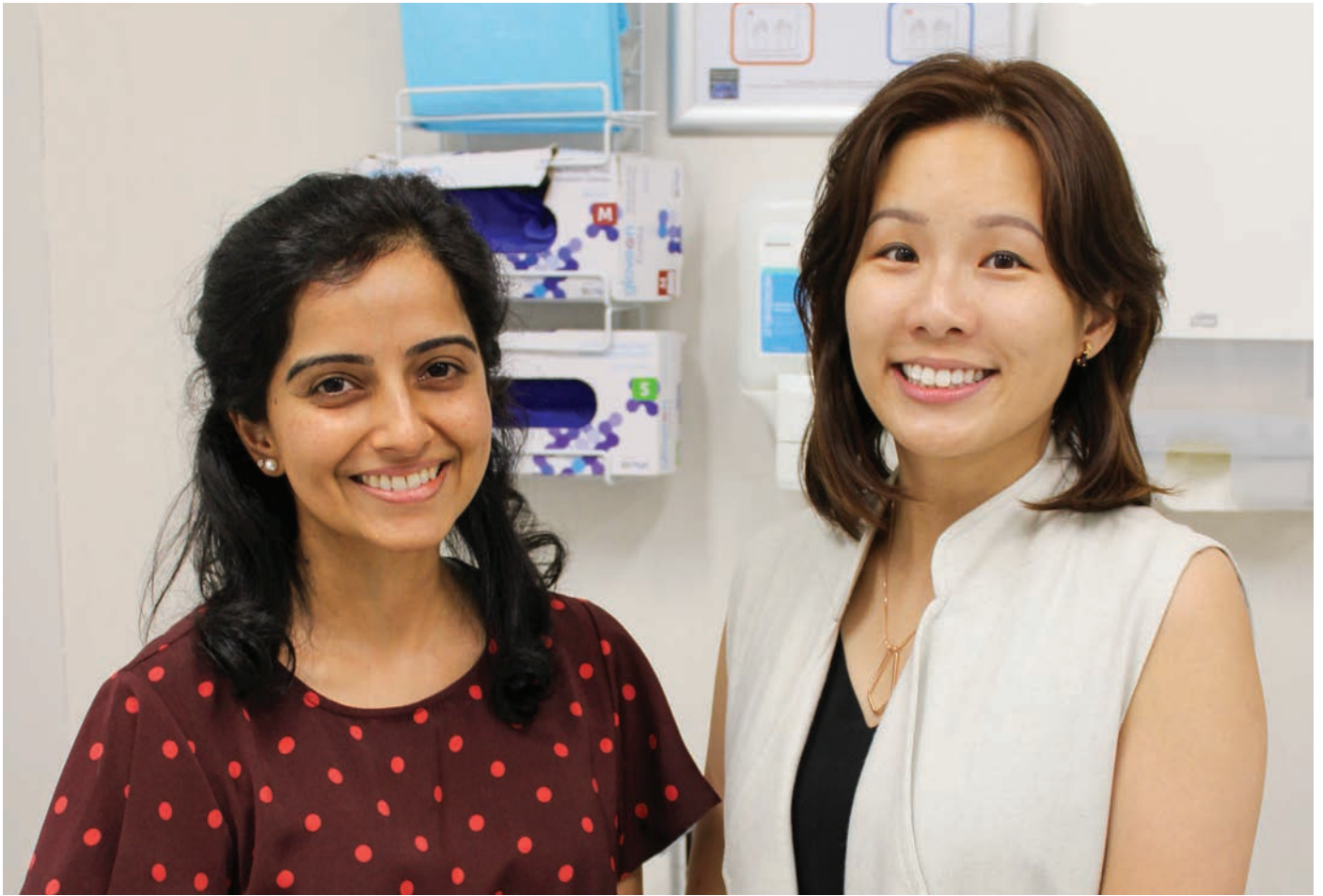
Sometimes the test shows HPV and they will ask me to see a specialist doctor.

This is because some types of HPV may not go away by themselves.

This does not happen a lot.

The specialist doctor will do more testing.

Doctors and nurses do not take risks so they check us carefully.



## Going to a specialist doctor

My doctor or nurse will tell me I need to see a specialist doctor.

They will send my results to the specialist.

The specialist will check for changes in my cervix.

It does not mean I have cancer.

I can always take someone I trust to my appointments.



The specialist doctor will ask me if they can do more testing.

They want to find any changes in my cervix early and fix them.

These can become cancer if nothing is done.

Even though I may feel very worried, it is ok because I am being looked after by a specialist doctor.

I can also talk to someone I trust and ask them to come to my appointments.





## Choosing to have a test to stay healthy

A Cervical Screening Test helps doctors find and fix changes in my cervix.

This can help to stop cancer of the cervix.

I can decide if I want a test to keep my body healthy.

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This is the end of After My Cervical Screening Test



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