Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer

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Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer (PPCC)

- What is the (PPCC)?
  - We are a program that helps with the prevention of cervical cancer
  - We provide education to women about pap tests
  - We can help women find a clinic to have a pap test
  - We work with doctors and nurses if a woman has an abnormal result
Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer (PPCC)

- Implemented in August 2003
- A screening program of the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency dedicated to the prevention of cervical cancer
- Target population
  - Saskatchewan females
  - 21 to 69 years of age
- Excludes:
  - Total hysterectomy
  - Cervical cancer
Screening Introduction

- You will receive your first invitation/welcome letter from the PPCC when you turn 21, or
- When women arrive in Saskatchewan and get a valid Saskatchewan health card
06 Jan 2015

Dear,

Welcome to the Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer (PPCC). The PPCC is a program of the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency dedicated to the prevention of cervical cancer. All women between the ages of 21-69 are automatically enrolled in the screening program.

It is important for women to begin appointments with their care provider when they become sexually active and starting at age 21 women should have regular Pap tests. If you have already had Pap tests please continue to have regular Pap tests. Women can begin by getting a Pap test every two years and most women will eventually move to getting a Pap test every three years.

You will receive letters in the mail from the PPCC to let you know about your Pap test results and also to remind you when you are due for your next Pap test. We also follow up with your care provider if you ever have an abnormal test result. PPCC gets your mailing address from the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health. If you have an address change, in order to ensure you continue to receive letters from the PPCC, it is important that you contact the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health to update your address by calling 1-800-667-7554 or by going to www.expresaddress.com.

We encourage you to make an appointment with your care provider to get a Pap test done.

If you have questions or concerns about the PPCC or would like help to find a clinic where you can go for a Pap test please call 1-800-667-0017, ext. 2, or go to our website at www.saskcancer.ca. We look forward to your participation in regular Pap testing because your health matters.

Sincerely,

Dr. Faezeh Cholin, MD, FCFP, MSc (Public Health)
Medical Advisor, Population Health
Saskatchewan Cancer Agency

Enclosure

REGULAR PAP TESTS CAN Save Your Life!
Where is a Pap test performed?

- A Pap test is performed in a healthcare providers office at a medical clinic
- A Pap test is performed by a doctor or nurse practitioner
Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer Screening Guidelines

- Cervical cancer screening (Pap test) should begin at age 21 or approximately three years after first intimate sexual activity, whichever occurs later.

- Screen every two years until three consecutive normal results, then extend the screening interval to every three years.

- Some women require annual Pap testing due to increased risk or past cervical disease.
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25 Nov 2014

File No: 810091

Dear [Name],

The Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer (PPCC) is a program of the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency dedicated to the prevention of cervical cancer. All women between the ages of 21-69 are automatically enrolled in the screening program.

Our records indicate that you are due for a Pap test. Please contact your care provider to make an appointment. If you need help to find a clinic, please call the PPCC at 1-800-667-0017, ext. 2 or go to our website at www.saskcancer.ca.

After you go for your Pap test, you will receive a letter in the mail from the PPCC to let you know about your Pap test results. We get your mailing address from the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health. If you have an address change, in order to ensure you continue to receive letters from the PPCC, it is important that you contact the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health to update your address by calling 1-800-567-7551 or by going to www.expressaddress.com.

If you have had a hysterectomy and do not want to receive letters from the PPCC, please contact our office at 1-800-667-0017, ext. 2.

We look forward to your participation in regular Pap testing because your health matters.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Winston Lok, Bsc., Hons. M.B.B.Ch.
Medical Advisor, Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer
Saskatchewan Cancer Agency

REGULAR PAP TESTS CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE!
Reminder Letter

27 Jan 2015

Reminder
File No: 837533

Dear [Name],

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If you have had a hysterectomy and do not want to receive letters from the PPCC, please contact our office at 1-800-667-0017, ext. 2.

We look forward to your participation in regular Pap testing because your health matters.

Sincerely,

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Dear [Name],

The Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer (PPCC) is a program of the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency dedicated to the prevention of cervical cancer. All women between the ages of 21-69 are automatically enrolled in the screening program.

Your Pap test result
The result of your 26 Jan 2015 Pap test was normal. This result means that the cervical cells appear normal. It is recommended that you return for a Pap test in Jan 2017.

The PPCC will send you a Recall letter when it is time for you to book your next Pap test with your health care provider.

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Abnormal Result

If you have an abnormal result, the doctor or nurse practitioner from the clinic you had your Pap test will contact you for further follow-up.
Cervical Cancer Facts in Saskatchewan

- The human papilloma virus (HPV) causes almost all cervical cancers.
- In 2015 there is estimated to be 45 new cases of cervical cancer in Saskatchewan and an estimated 20 women in the province will die from the disease.
- Cervical cancer is preventable.
Participation Rate in Saskatchewan

Provincial Participation Rate

National Target = 70%
SCA Target = 60%

Quarterly Dashboard

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PPCC Contact Information

Saskatchewan Cancer Agency
Prevention Program for Cervical Cancer

Telephone: 1-800-667-0017
Website: www.saskcancer.ca/ppcc
Thank you!

Cervical Screening Saves Lives