



HPV Primary Screening

A programme by **WellSouth**

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Intended Purpose

HPV primary screening will reduce barriers to uptake and increase screening in priority groups to reduce mortality rates in our communities. This programme allows for practices to claim for eligible patients to have a HPV swab or speculum test.

HealthPathways Link: <https://southern.communityhealthpathways.org/20461.htm>

Eligibility

- Māori, Pacific, & CSC (community services card) holder women and people with a cervix aged 25-69.

Unscreened:

- Any woman or persons with a cervix who has never been screened aged 30-74.

Underscreened:

- No cytology in 5 years (3 years if immune deficient), or HPV in 7 years aged 30 to 69.
- Aged 70 to 74 but has not had 2 consecutive normal cervical cytology results between 62 to 69 years.
- Aged 70 to 74 but has not had an 'HPV not detected' result in the five years prior to age 70.

Key information

Follow-up testing is free for everyone, regardless of their eligibility for free routine screening. All eligible follow-up tests are listed below:

- All recommended HPV and / or cytology follow-up testing after 'HPV Other' detected (until returned to routine screening).
- People who have not yet been returned to routine interval screening (prior to the commencement of the HPV primary screening programme on 12 September 2023) and require follow-up testing (e.g., 12 month repeat screening after a previous low-grade cytology result).
- Repeat screening after an invalid or unsuitable for analysis HPV test result, or an unsatisfactory cytology sample.
- Test of Cure (including those eligible for a Test of Cure because of historical high-grade result) or recommended follow-up after colposcopy.
- Annual co-testing (for life) because of the history of a previous HPV-negative high-grade cervical or vaginal lesion, or a history of adenocarcinoma in-situ (AIS) where the HPV status prior to treatment is unknown.

Claiming

Claiming is via the WellSouth PHN portal.

HPV Primary Screening	New Claim	Patient must meet eligibility criteria ⓘ
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Service codes for your PMS

Please set these up prior to using the programme.

Code	Amount (incl. GST)	Description
WPHPV1	\$40.25 (Standard)	HPV Primary Screening Claim
WPHPV2	\$57.50 (Un/Underscreened)	HPV Primary Screening Claim
WPHPV3	\$57.50 (Follow-up)	HPV Primary Screening Claim

Payment Rates (excl. GST)

\$35.00 + GST Māori, Pacific & CSC (Standard)

\$50.00 + GST Un/Underscreened

\$ 0.00 + GST Follow-up

Can a co-payment be charged?

No co-payment can be charged.

When does the claim need to be completed?

Claiming must be completed within 2 months of treatment.

If your PMS is aligned to the WellSouth Clinical BCTIs, please contact practicenetwork@wellsouth.org.nz with your new Account Internal ID.

For further information regarding this programme please contact practicenetwork@wellsouth.org.nz or your Primary Care Relationship Manager.