

# bevolkingsonderzoek



Voor vroege opsporing van kanker

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Re : Result screening for cervical cancer

Dear Ms Doe,

You participated in the screening for cervical cancer with the self-sampling device.

## What is the result?

HPV (human papilloma virus) has been detected.

## What does this mean?

HPV is a virus that may change the cells in your cervix. Nearly everyone has HPV once. This is nothing serious. The body is nearly always able to remove the virus on its own. Sometimes, it does not succeed in this. Only in that case may abnormal cells develop.

It is important to have a smear test performed. We will then check whether the cells in your cervix look normal. The smear test is free.

## What should you do?

- Make an appointment at the general practice for a smear test. For privacy reasons, your family doctor has not been informed of the result. Therefore, tell your doctor that you participated with the self-sampling device and what the result was.
- Bring this letter with you to the appointment. The stickers on the letter are required for the examination.
- It is also possible to make an appointment with a different family doctor or doctor's receptionist. You can personally contact a different general practice.
- If you do not wish to participate, for example because you are pregnant, please pass this information on at Mijn Bevolkingsonderzoek at [www.bevolkingsonderzoekzuid.nl](http://www.bevolkingsonderzoekzuid.nl) by using your DigiD. You can also call us or send us an e-mail.
- If you do not respond to your invitation and reminder, it will be another five years before you receive an invitation again.

## More information

If you have any questions, it is recommended that you contact your family doctor. You can also visit [www.bevolkingsonderzoekbaarmoederhalskanker.nl](http://www.bevolkingsonderzoekbaarmoederhalskanker.nl) for more information about the result.

Yours sincerely,

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