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## Objectives

- Identify high-risk and low-risk types of genital HPV infection
- Discuss the epidemiology of genital HPV infection in the United States

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- Describe the natural history of genital HPV infection
- Identify methods used to detect cervical cellular abnormalities for the prevention of cervical cancer
- Describe the clinical uses of HPV DNA tests in the context of Pap test screening and management

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- Summarize appropriate patient counseling messages for genital HPV infection
- Identify methods for preventing genital HPV infection

#### Papillomaviruses are a complex group of DNA tumor viruses, found in many species, where they can cause benign growths, or papillomas, and cancers.



They can't be routinely grown in the lab. This makes it hard to test experimental treatment. Papillomaviruses are most commonly detected by the presence of DNA.

- HPV types are distinguished by genetic sequences, hence genotypes
- More than 30 genotypes of HPV are sexually transmitted and can infect the genital tract
- Transmitted through skin-to-skin contact

## **Clinical Manifestations**

#### Penile Warts Perianal Warts Cervical Cancer



Source: Seattle STD/HIV Prevention Training Center at the University of Washington/ UW HSCER Slide Bank Source: Cincinnati STD/HIV Prevention Training Center

## Low-Risk HPV Types

# 6, 11, 40, 42, 43, 44, 54, 61, 72, 73, and 81



## **High-Risk HPV Types**

# 16, 18, 31, 33, 35, 39, 45, 51, 52, 56, 58, 59, 68, and 82



Infection with either low-risk or highrisk types of genital HPV usually causes no clinical signs or symptoms and are transient.



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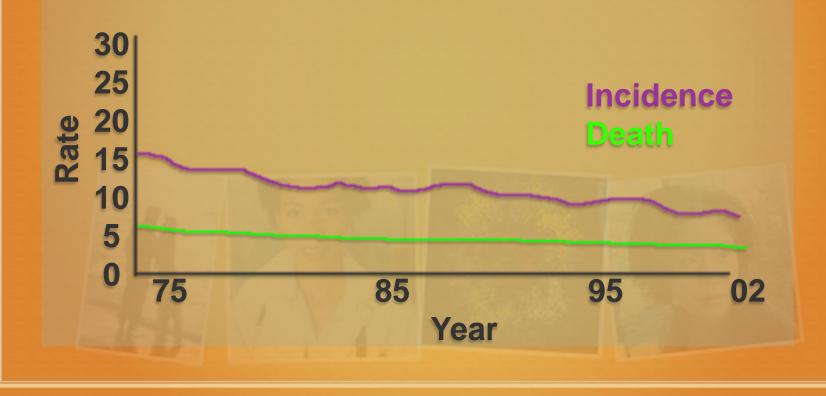
## **Genital HPV Infected**

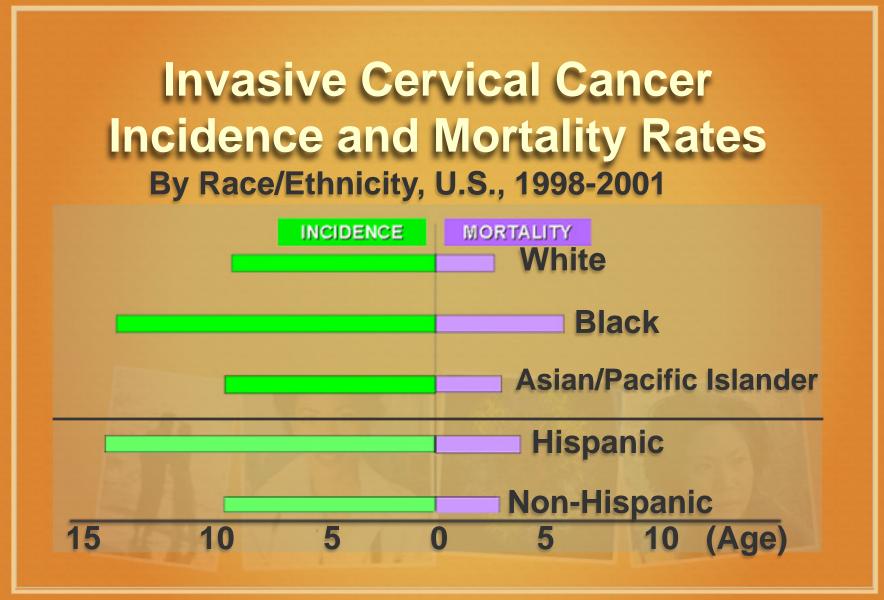
- 20 million people
- 9.2 million sexually active people between 15-24 years
- 6.2 million new infections each year

## Risk Factors for Developing Cervical Cancer

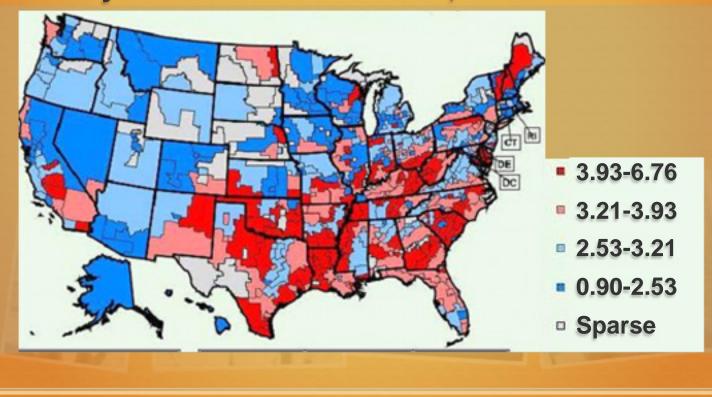
- Rarely or never being screened
- Cigarette smoking
- Long-term use of oral contraceptives
- Having a high number of live births
- Co-infection with Chlamydia trachomatis or herpes simplex virus type 2

#### SEER Invasive Cervical Cancer Incidence and Mortality Rates U.S., 1975-2002





#### Age-adjusted Cervical Cancer Mortality Rates By State Economic Area, 1995-1999



### Factors Contributing to Cervical Cancer

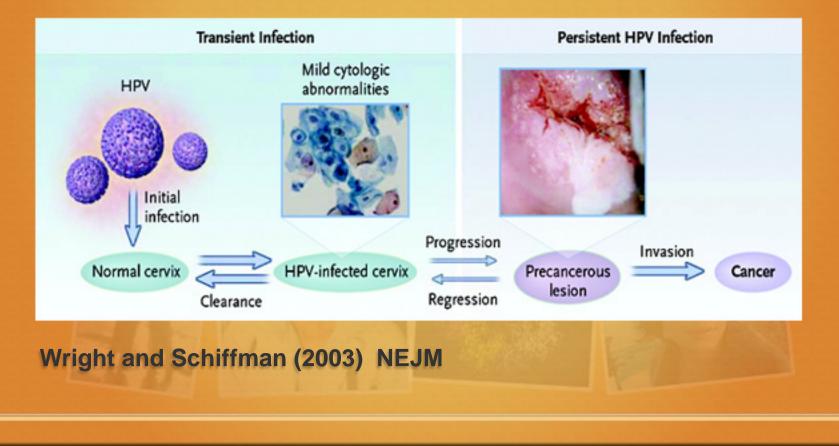
50%-60% Never, or rarely screened

9%-12% Uncommon Cancers, Difficult to Detect 5%-10% **False negative** 10%-15% Test abnormal, lost follow-up 10%-15% **Cytology test** abnormal 5%-10% **Rapidly Progressive** 

#### Prevalence of Cervical Cancer Screening National Health Survey, U.S. 2000

Group	% Pap test past 3 years
All women	82%
Insured	1000 C
yes	85.8
no	62%
Country of birth Foreign born in U.S. <10 yrs US born	61% 83.4
Race/Ethnicity	
Hispanic	77%
Non-Hispanic White	83%
Non-Hispanic Black	84%
Asian	71%

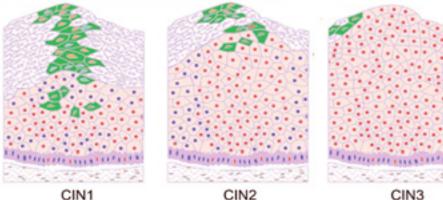
## Natural History of HPV Infections



HPV Risk Factors for Persistence

- 30 years and older
- High-risk HPV types
- Suppressed immune system

## **Cervical Intraepithelial** Neoplasia



CIN1







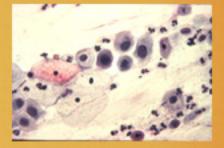


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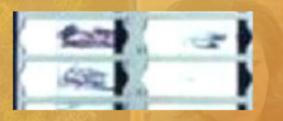
#### Cytology

## Cervical Cancer Screening Methods

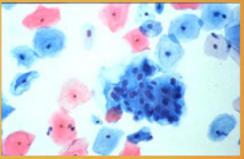
Conventional Cytology • cells scraped from the cervix, placed on slide and examined in the lab



Sensitivity: 51-88% Specificity: 95-98%



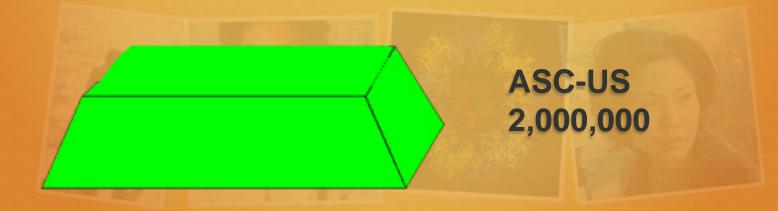
**Cervical Cancer Screening Methods** Liquid-based Cytology cells suspended in liquid applied to slide in lab as thin cellular layer most blood, mucus, inflammatory cells eliminated





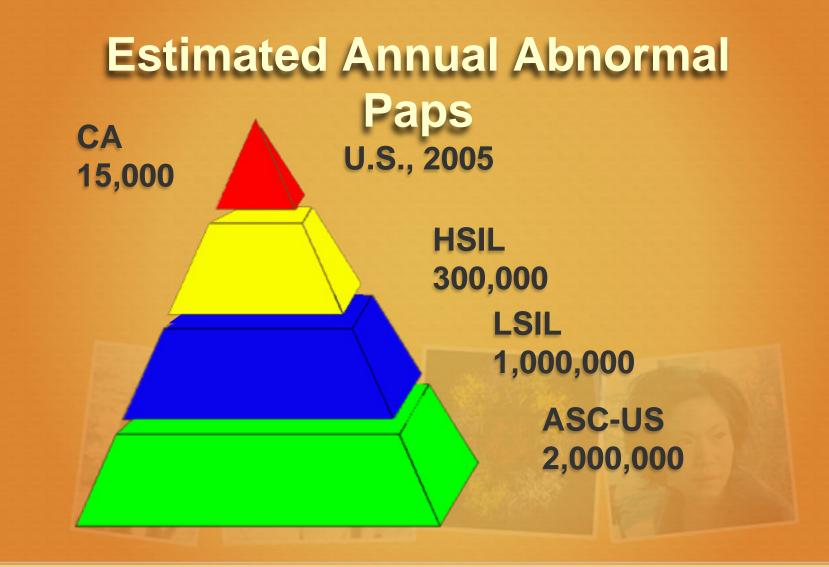
Sensitivity: 61-95% Specificity: 78-82%

#### Estimated Annual Abnormal Paps U.S., 2005



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LSIL 1,000,000 ASC-US 2,000,000



### Cervical Cancer Screening Recommendations

	USPSTF	ACS	ACOG
	2003	2002	2003
Age to start	Age 21 or within 3 yrs of sexual activity	Age 21 or within 3 yrs of sexual activity	Age 21 or within 3 yrs of sexual activity
Interval <30 yr	Conv: at least every 3 yrs	Conv: 1 yr LBC: 2 yr	1 yr
$\ge$ 30 yr	every 5 yrs	2-3 yrs	2-3 yrs
When to Stop	Age 65	Age 70	No specific age

USPSTF – U.S. Preventive Services Task Force ACS – American Cancer Society ACOG – American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Conv – Conventional Cervical Cytology LBC – Liquid-based Cytology

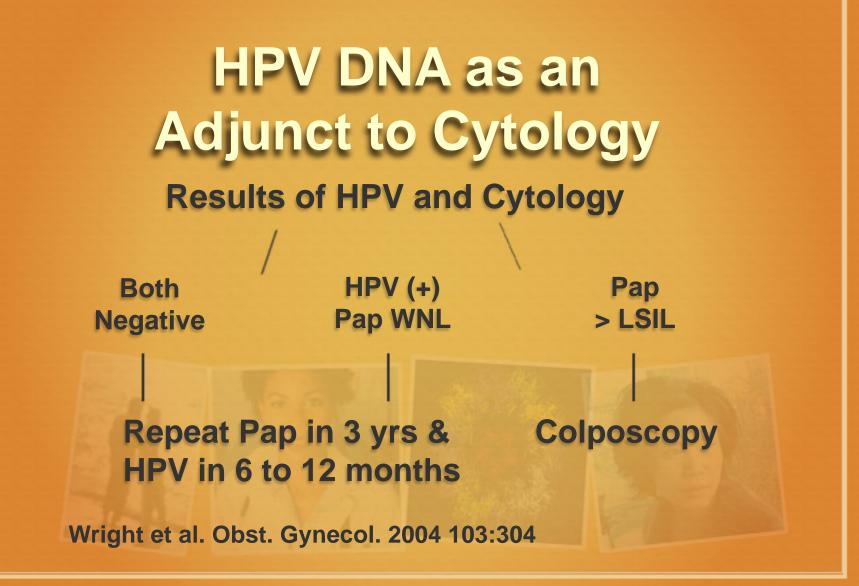
#### **FDA Approved Use** of HPV Test Triage Solution hybridization test for **ASC-US test results** Primary Screening Solution hybridization test as adjunct to Pap test in women 30 years of age and older. If both tests are negative, next cervical cancer

screening should not occur for at least 3 years.

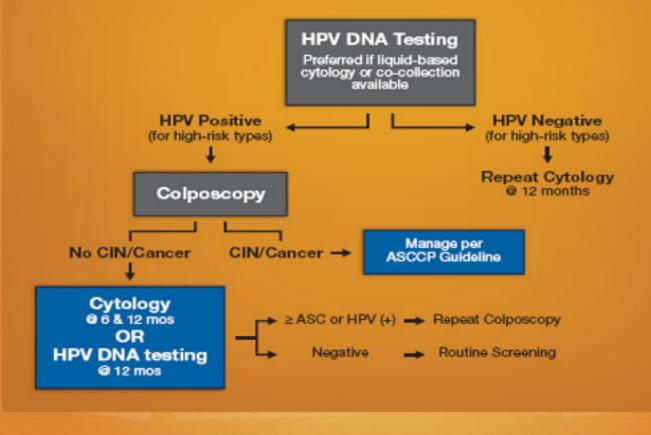
## Organization Recommendations for HPV DNA Use in Cervical Cancer Screening

	USPSTF	ACS	ACOG	ASCCP
ASC-US triage	Insufficient Evidence	Not addressed	Recommended	Recommended
Primary screening	Insufficient Evidence	Option	Recommended	Recommended

USPSTF – U.S. Preventive Services Task Force ACS – American Cancer Society ACOG – American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists ASCCP – American Society of Colposcopy and Cytopathology



Management of Women with Atypical Squamous Cells of Undetermined Significance (ASC-US)



## **Patient Management**

- Repeat Pap twice at 4-6 month intervals
- Immediate colposcopy
- Test for high-risk HPV

# Patient Counseling Should Occur:

- When genital warts are diagnosed
- After Pap screening visits
- When Pap test result is abnormal
- After HPV test is positive

### **Patient Information**

- General information
- HPV transmission
- Prevention issues
- Partner issues

- Reducing the duration of infectiousness by treatment
- Decreasing the efficiency of transmission by measures aimed at reducing infectivity
- Reducing the number of sex
  partners

- Reducing the duration of infectiousness by treatment
  - No effective systemic treatment for genital HPV
  - Genital warts
  - Cervical cancer

 Decreasing the efficiency of transmission by measures aimed at reducing infectivity

- Physical barriers such as condoms
- Latex condoms can't offer complete protection because
  - Genital HPV infections transmitted through skin-to-skin
  - Infections can occur in male and female genital areas not covered
- Inadequate existing science on effectiveness of condoms

Reducing the number of sex partners

- Abstinence
- Long-term mutual monogamy with a single uninfected partner
- For those not in a long-term, mutually monogamous relationship, reduce the number of partners and choose a partner not likely to be infected

### **Trial Results**

HPV type 16 VLP vaccine was highly protective in preventing HPV 16 infection and HPV 16 related cervical intraepithelial neoplasias.



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HPV 16-18 vaccine was also highly effective in preventing persistent infections and abnormal Pap smears caused by both types.



#### SEER Invasive Cervical Cancer Incidence and Mortality Rates

Rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

Source: SEER Cancer Statistics Review, 1975-2002

#### Invasive Cervical Cancer Incidence and Mortality Rates by Race/Ethnicity

Source: Saraiya M., et al., IPV Conference, 2005.

Incidence rates cover 77%, and mortality rates cover 100% of the U.S. population. Hispanic is not mutually exclusive from white, black, and Asian/Pacific Islander.

#### Age-adjusted Cervical Cancer Mortality Rates by State Economic Areas

Source: Grauman D., NCI; http://www3.cancer.gov/atlasplus/ State Economic Area: One or more socio-economically similar counties within a state

#### Prevalence of Cervical Cancer Screening, National Health Interview Survey

Swan J, Breen N, Coates RJ, Rimer BK, Lee NC. Progress in cancer screening practices in the United States: results from the 2000 National Health Interview Survey. Cancer. 2003;97:1528-40.

ASCCP website: http://www.asccp.org

Factors Contributing to Cervical Cancer Sources:NIH Consensus Conference, Janerich, Connecticut Sung, California

Cervical Intraepithelial Neoplasia Adapted from Middleton et al. J Virol 77:10186, 2003

Cervical Cancer Screening Methods Source: Meyers et al., 2000; Nanda, et al., 2000; Belinson, et al., 2001

Estimated Annual Abnormal Paps Modified from Hildesheim, A., National Cancer Institute, 2005

### **For More Information**

Human Papillomavirus: HPV Information for Clinicians



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### www.cdc.gov/std/ healthcomm/hc-hpv.htm

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