



Cervical Cancer Highly Treatable If Diagnosed

Cervical cancer develops in a woman's cervix (the entrance to the uterus from the vagina). Almost all cervical cancer cases (99%) are linked to infection with high-risk human papillomavirus (HPV), an extremely common virus transmitted through sexual contact. Although most infections with HPV resolve spontaneously and cause no symptoms, persistent infection can cause cervical cancer in women.

What You Need To Know

When diagnosed, cervical cancer is one of the most successfully treatable forms of cancer, as long as it is detected early and managed effectively. Cancers diagnosed in late stages can also be controlled with appropriate treatment and palliative care.

With a comprehensive approach to prevent, screen and treat, we can end cervical cancer as a public health problem within a few generations, according to the World Health Organization. On this Cervical Cancer Awareness Month, the messages are clear.

Get informed. Find out the facts about cervical cancer and the human papilloma virus (HPV) that causes it. Help educate other women in your life too.

Get screened. Cervical cancer screening typically starts at age 30 and is repeated periodically.

Get vaccinated. The HPV vaccine is given in 2 doses that should begin between ages 9 and 14 years old.

Contact PCHC to help with all the above.

Worried About Cost?

Wisconsin's Well Woman Program offers breast and cervical cancer screenings and diagnostic services to women who have low incomes and are uninsured or underinsured. Find out if you qualify by visiting: www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/wwwp/index.htm

Who Serves You?

Meet Dr. Linda Seale

Dr. Seale grew up in Texas and Oklahoma with her grandparents due to unfortunate illness in her primary parents. She worked with Marshfield clinic for 22+ years before contracting with PCHC in November of 2020, Dr. Seale has a special interest in preventative healthcare measures.



Dr. Seale earned her undergraduate Bachelor of Science degree in Biology at Tulane University, then underwent postgraduate training at the University of Illinois for Internal Medicine Residency & Infectious Diseases Fellowship. Dr. Seale is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Infectious Diseases.

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