

# OPERATION WIPE OUT

*cervical  
cancer*  
ALABAMA

## WHAT CAN YOU DO TO ELIMINATE CERVICAL CANCER IN ALABAMA?

It takes 3 steps:

1



### HPV VACCINE

Give the HPV  
vaccination to  
children and  
young adults  
aged 9-26

2



### SCREENING

Get regular  
HPV/Pap test to  
screen for  
cervical cancer  
beginning at  
age 21

3



### FOLLOW-UP/ TREATMENT

If your HPV/Pap  
test is abnormal,  
go back to your  
doctor/health  
care provider for  
a follow-up  
appointment



WE CAN END CERVICAL  
CANCER IN OUR LIFETIME

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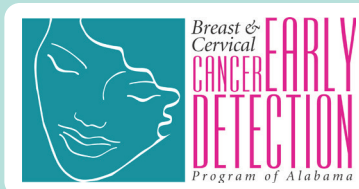
## What Can I Do To Wipe Out Cervical Cancer In Alabama?

Complete the interactive 4-part online module on **HPV Communication Skills Training** for free CEs.



Consider training **nurse practitioners as colposcopists**. The tools used in mobile colposcopy are easy to transport. Adherence to colposcopy appointments has increased drastically in the local health departments in Alabama with the utilization of mobile colposcopists.

Consider contracting with the **Alabama Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (ABC)**. For women with no health insurance, this program reimburses providers at the Medicare rate for cervical cancer screening, and, if needed, diagnostic testing, at no charge to the patient. The program also provides free treatment through **Medicaid (1-877-252-3324)**



**Encourage** moms, dads, and legal guardians to talk to their doctor about their children (boys and girls aged **9 - 18**) getting the **HPV vaccination**. If they do not have health insurance, **Vaccines for Children (VFC)** provides **free HPV vaccine** for children and adolescents **9 - 18** years of age



Ensure your female patients aged **21- 64** are **screened** for cervical cancer **regularly** via the **HPV/Pap test**

Utilize an **EHR or other alert system** to identify patients who are due for screening

If you don't provide cervical cancer screening in your practice, once approved, consider offering **self-collection for HPV testing**

**Display educational flyers** on bulletin boards, in restroom facilities, breakrooms, and other appropriate locations\*

Consider using **mobile units** to provide HPV vaccination and cervical cancer screening

**Carefully explain abnormal results** in detail to ensure understanding of importance of follow-up



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<https://operationwipeout.org/>

\*<https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/cancer/cervical.html>