



CervicalCheck restarted on 06 July 2020. When sending in samples, please use the new screening form (Revision 16) your practice received in May 2020. **Please note that any samples sent with an old screening form will be returned until the lab receives the correct form.** During the restart period, please do not invite patients for screening outside of the priority groups indicated below.

## 14 July 2020

Dear Colleague,

As you know, the CervicalCheck screening programme returned on 06 July 2020. Thank you for helping us manage our capacity across the screening pathway by inviting participants back in phases.

Please note that **any** sample sent with the old screening form will be returned to you by the laboratory and you will be asked to complete the correct form (Revision 16) and resend the sample. Any sample taken in out-of-date vials cannot be processed and your patient will have to wait three months for a re-test.

Please download the new screening forms from <https://bit.ly/3fyWpon> or from your GP Practice Management System (please contact your PMS Helpdesk if you need support). Paper versions of the new forms were sent to your practice in May 2020.

Please dispose of the old forms in your recycling bin.

At the moment we are asking you to screen participants called in phase 1 of the restart plan, which is outlined below:

### Phase 1 (06 July – 31 July) priority groups:

- People who are due an early screening test (one-year recall)
- People who need a repeat test because their last sample could not be tested (three-month recall)
- People who have become eligible for their first cervical screening test this year because they have turned 25.

### Phase 2 (01 August- 31 October) standard recall:

- People on 3- and 5-year recall whose invites were delayed by the COVID-19 crisis, starting with women who have been waiting the longest.

### What you can do:

- Please do not invite your patients for screening outside of the priority groups indicated.
- Encourage people to attend for screening as soon as they receive their CervicalCheck invite.
- Encourage those who are this year turning 25 years old to register for the programme and wait for their CervicalCheck invite to book their screening test.
- Maintain your available screening clinics. Please do not put on extra clinics for screening.



If you have any further questions about the CervicalCheck restart please feel free to contact [info@cervicalcheck.ie](mailto:info@cervicalcheck.ie) for more information, or see [www.hse.ie/cervicalcheck](http://www.hse.ie/cervicalcheck)

We are continually updating our stakeholder list. If you would like to consent to receive updates from CervicalCheck by email, please email [admin@cervicalcheck.ie](mailto:admin@cervicalcheck.ie)

Thank you for taking the time to read this information, which we hope will be useful to you in scheduling your screening appointments.

Yours sincerely,



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