

Guide for Implementing HPV Self-Collection for Cervical Cancer Screening

Developed by University of Washington implementation scientist John Lin (with support from an NCI implementation-science award) in collaboration with researchers from MD Anderson Cancer Center and the University of Chicago, A Guide for Implementing HPV Self-Collection for Cervical Cancer Screening distills extensive research into a concise, step-by-step playbook for clinic managers and quality-improvement teams.

Building on successful mailed-kit and in-clinic trials that increased screening uptake, the guide translates evidence into clear workflow flowcharts and SOP templates covering EHR setup, specimen handling, and workflow integration. It details staff roles, training checklists, and reimbursement pathways, embedding current CPT/HCPCS codes and sample billing language, while providing bilingual patient-education scripts and consent forms tailored to underserved communities. The result is a practical, regulatory-aligned roadmap that enables primary-care clinics, FQHCs, and health systems to launch or scale HPV self-collection programs that are both clinically sound and financially sustainable.

Materials include:

- Main document: A guide for implementing HPV self-collection for cervical cancer screening
- Sample template: Workflow diagram (Visio format)
- Sample template: Workflow diagram (Draw.io format)
- Sample template: Clinic staff tip sheet
- Sample template: Clinic staff training slidedeck

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