Cervical Screening Decision Pathway

Send Easy Read letter/use their preferred means of communication

[Here is a template letter](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.hertfordshire.gov.uk%2Fmedia-library%2Fdocuments%2Fadult-social-services%2Flearning-difficulties-and-dementia%2Feasy-read-invite-cervical.pptx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK)

( This is In-case the reason for refusal is not understanding the standard letter)

(Accessible Information Standard 2016)

Identify Learning Disability Register Non-Attenders

(Search all on LD Register both non-attenders and exemption coded)

If still not responding/refusing to attend; follow up with a telephone call to establish the barriers to attending and whether they understand the reason they are invited and risk of not attending. Use questions in Cervical Screening Decision Process Tool (CSDP) to help establish this: [Here is a link](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.hertfordshire.gov.uk%2Fmedia-library%2Fdocuments%2Fadult-social-services%2Flearning-difficulties-and-dementia%2Fcsdp-tool.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK)

REMEMBER - Unless someone holds health and welfare Lasting power of attorney or is appointed legally their health and welfare deputy, they CANNOT make this decision for the person (Mental Capacity Act 2005)

Did the person (NOT their family or carer) demonstrate they understood?

Unclear/No

Provide the person and their support network with the below tools and arrange to meet with them to plan reasonable adjustments needed for successful screening (Equality Act 2010 – [Making Reasonable Adjustments for People with Learning Disabilities (hertfordshire.gov.uk)](https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/media-library/documents/adult-social-services/teach-reasonable-adjustments.pdf)

* [EasyRead booklet: Having a smear test. What is it about? | Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust (jostrust.org.uk)](https://www.jostrust.org.uk/shop/cervical-screening-and-cervical-abnormalities/easyread-booklet-having-smear-test-what-it-about)
* [Cervical Screening for people with LD](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yQw4boPcKik)
* [C:\Users\mattm\AppData\Local\Temp\mso2C.tmp (hertfordshire.gov.uk)](https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/media-library/documents/adult-social-services/learning-difficulties-and-dementia/paulas-smear-test-pdf-1.9mb.pdf)
* [Check it out! - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=beQHs9x-aiQ)

**Complete CSDP for future screening records.**

Check if they have someone (family member or person who supports them) who can support them to use the tools [listed below] to help enhance their understanding of the benefits of screening and risks of not having it.

If they have no support then the screener can spend TIME using these with the person, or referral to Learning Disability Nurses or practitioners within your system.

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Yes

Go to Green YES box on page 1 and follow that pathway.

No

Following discussion with all involved, did the person understand the risks and benefits of cervical screening?

Tools for enabling understanding:

* [EasyRead booklet: Having a smear test. What is it about? | Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust (jostrust.org.uk)](https://www.jostrust.org.uk/shop/cervical-screening-and-cervical-abnormalities/easyread-booklet-having-smear-test-what-it-about)
* [Cervical Screening for people with LD](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yQw4boPcKik)
* [C:\Users\mattm\AppData\Local\Temp\mso2C.tmp (hertfordshire.gov.uk)](https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/media-library/documents/adult-social-services/learning-difficulties-and-dementia/paulas-smear-test-pdf-1.9mb.pdf)
* Signs and Symptoms of Cervical Cancer
* [Check it out! - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=beQHs9x-aiQ)

Agree a Timeframe to see the person again to discuss and assess their understanding in line with the questions on the CSDP tool.

**Complete the CSDP**

Yes

A Best Interest decision needs to be made and plans for reducing risk of undiagnosed cervical cancer – Use the CSDP Tool

(Mental Capacity Act 2005)