

APPENDIX

Part I: General questions

1) What is your age?

- 25-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- No answer

2) Do you consider yourself:

- First Nation
- Métis
- Other (please specify)
- Do not know
- No answer

3) Highest level of formal schooling achieved:

- Less than High School graduate
- High School graduate
- College degree
- University degree, please specify
- Other, please specify
- No answer

4) Have you ever smoked?

- Yes
- No
- No answer

5) Is cervical cancer screening valuable?

- Yes
- No
- Do not know
- No answer

6) Have you had Gardasil vaccination?

- Yes
- No

7) Have you ever had a Pap test?

- I have Pap tests regularly (about every 2 years)
- I have had Pap tests, but not regularly
- I have never had a Pap test taken
- Do not know
- No answer

8) If you have had Pap tests before: Have you ever had an abnormal Pap test?

- Yes
- No
- Do not know
- No answer

9) If you had an abnormal Pap test before which statement best describes your present situation?

- I have been treated
- I am still being followed by my doctor
- I decided not to have treatment or further follow-up
- Do not know
- No answer

10) Have you ever used tampons?

- Yes
- No
- Do not know
- No answer

Part II: Questions about self-sampling

11) When taking your own sample today, did you find this easy or difficult? Please, answer on a scale from 1 to 9.

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Easy 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 Difficult

Do not know
 No answer

12) When taking your own sample today, did you feel comfortable or uncomfortable? Please, answer on a scale from 1 to 9.

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Comfortable 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 Uncomfortable

Do not know
 No answer

13) Assuming that self-sampling and sampling by a physician/nurse practitioner are equally good for testing what would you prefer in a future screening program?

Self-sampling (at home or at Health Centre)
 Sample taken by a physician/nurse practitioner
 Does not matter
 Do not know
 No answer

14) If you have the option of using self-sampling, is it more likely that you would regularly participate in future cervical cancer screening?

Yes
 No
 Do not know
 No answer

Part III: Questions about sexual health: HPV and cervical cancer

15) What is the best way for you to receive information about sexual health? (Check all that apply)

- Watching a DVD where pictures are shown and explanations are given orally at the same time
- Looking at a poster where things are described with pictures and text
- Directly interacting with a Health Care Provider to whom I can ask questions after having read a pamphlet
- Directly interacting with a health care provider who uses a life size model of the female reproductive tract so things can be demonstrated and we can talk about what we see
- On my own
- Together with my partner
- In a small group with other women I know
- None of the above
- Other suggestions:
- Do not know
- No answer

16) What do you know about cervical cancer? (Check all that apply)

- A form of cancer that affects middle-aged women the most
- A form of cancer that affects younger women the most
- A form of cancer that affects the lower genital tract of women
- Persistent infection with some types of HPV causes cervical cancer
- Cervical cancer is the second most common cancer in women worldwide
- Only women who have ever been sexually active may develop cervical cancer
- Both women who are and women who have ever been sexually active may develop cervical cancer
- Do not know
- No answer

17) What do you know about prevention of cervical cancer? (Check all that apply)

- Regular screening can almost entirely prevent me from getting it
- I can get a Pap test done
- I can get an HPV test done
- I would get HPV vaccine
- I am not in danger of getting cervical cancer if I use birth control pills
- I am not in danger of getting cervical cancer if my partner uses condoms during sexual activity
- Do not know
- No answer

18) Where did you obtain your knowledge about cervical cancer? (Check all that apply)

- By reading the information provided for this study
- Through a health care provider
- Through the newspaper/magazines
- Through television
- Through the internet
- Through friends/ relatives
- Other, please specify:
- Do not know
- No answer

19) What do you know about HPV? (Check all that apply)

- HPV is a common sexually transmitted virus
- Many HPV types exist and some of them cause cervical cancer
- Rates of HPV infection are highest in women between the ages of 20 and 30
- Not all HPV infections lead to cervical cancer but all cervical cancers are most likely caused by HPV infections that do not go away
- If I have HPV I can get medication to treat it
- Both men and women can get HPV
- Only women can get HPV
- A positive HPV test is generally accompanied by pain and fever
- A positive HPV test is generally not accompanied by any symptoms
- Other, please specify:
- Do not know
- No answer

20) What do you know about prevention of HPV? (Check all that apply)

- Using a condom when having intercourse can decrease the likelihood of getting HPV
- Using a condom also helps to avoid other sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV, Chlamydia and fungus
- If I never have intercourse I will not get HPV
- By having only one or few partners I can decrease the likelihood of getting HPV
- By having only one or few partners I will not get HPV
- Using birth control pills will prevent me from getting HPV
- The HPV vaccine is given to girls in grade 8
- The HPV vaccine is given to girls and boys in grade 8
- Other, please specify:
- Do not know
- No answer

21) Where did you obtain your knowledge about HPV? (Check all that apply)

- By reading the information provided for this study
- Through a health care provider
- Through the newspaper/magazines
- Through television
- Through the internet
- Through friends
- Through relatives
- Through parents
- Other, please specify:
- Do not know
- No answer

22) What did you think about the importance of the questions we were asking you?
Please, answer on a scale from 1 to 9.

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Important Not important

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

- Do not know
- No answer

23) Did you find that the questions were easy or difficult to answer? Please, answer on a scale from 1 to 9.

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Easy Difficult

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

- Do not know
- No answer

Your participation is appreciated. Thank you for your time.

The Research Team