

Notice
Payments for cervical screening – early repeat tests for concerned women
9 May 2018

A. Doctors who provide a cervical screening CONSULTATION to a concerned woman

1. Doctors must be contracted with the HSE and receive payments via PCRS.
2. Payment will be claimed by submitting a Special Type Consultation (STC) claim form for the woman concerned to PCRS.
3. The STC claim will be for a 'Cervical screening consultation' with special service code 'AE'.
4. Required details:
 - If the woman has a medical card or Doctor Visit Card, her card number will be required.
 - If the woman does not have a medical card or Doctor Visit Card, her PPS Number will be required.

B. Doctors who provide an EARLY REPEAT CERVICAL SCREENING TEST to a concerned woman

1. Doctors must hold a current HSE NSS contract for cervical screening services.
2. Test samples must be despatched to the doctor's current designated laboratory.
3. Tests must be more than 3 months from previous test (clinical advice).
4. Payment will be made as normal for a cervical screening test.
5. Receipt of the sample to the programme laboratory will initiate payment.
6. There is no additional claim to be made for payment.

C. Doctors who provide both a CONSULTATION and an EARLY REPEAT CERVICAL SCREENING TEST

1. Both of the above apply.
2. Payment for the CONSULTATION is qualified by A. above.
3. Payment for the EARLY REPEAT CERVICAL SCREENING TEST is qualified by B. above.

Payments will be made by PCRS as standard.

CURRENT STATUS

PCRS are establishing the special service code for the STC claim, in two stages – medical card holders/doctor visit card holders by the end of this week, non- card holders by the end of the following week.

Effective: All Consultations and Early Repeat Cervical Screening Tests dated on or after 30 April 2018, until further notice.

Consultation: please record the details of the woman concerned as advised in A. above, and submit STC claim in the usual manner with appropriate special service code when available (from Monday 20 May 2018).

Early repeat cervical screening test: no additional requirement, continue as normal.