

## PAP TEST INVITATION

Date of birth,

Bologna,

Dear Madam,

the Local Health Authority of Bologna invites you to undergo the **PAP test**, as part of the **screening for the prevention of cervical cancer** program.

**We cordially invite you to take this opportunity which we recommend,  
to proactively take care of your health for the future**

### Making an appointment is simple, either:

- ✓ Using the dedicated PORTAL <https://screening.ausl.bologna.it> (*English Version is available*)
- ✓ By calling the TOLL FREE-PHONE NUMBER **800-314858** from Monday to Friday 10 – 14
- ✓ By contacting the Screening Centre using the form available at the link: <https://www.ausl.bologna.it/form/com/ccs>

**THE SAMPLE COLLECTION WILL BE PERFORMED BY FEMALE HEALTHCARE PERSONNEL**

**ATTENTION:** If you were born in 1998 and received the HPV vaccination, with two doses by age 15, your first screening test is expected at age 30. In this case, please send the vaccination certificate to the e-mail address [infoscreening@ausl.bologna.it](mailto:infoscreening@ausl.bologna.it) You will be contacted by the staff of the Bologna Local Health Authority.

We remind you:

- ✓ to bring with you **your health card (TESSERA SANITARIA) and an identity document;**
- ✓ a doctor's request is not necessary;
- ✓ the test is **free** as well as any subsequent investigations;
- ✓ to perform the test at least 3 days after the end of menstruation, in the absence of blood loss and pelvic pain;
- ✓ not to use douches, creams and ovules in the 3 days before the test;
- ✓ not to have sexual intercourse, nor perform transvaginal ultrasound scans or gynaecological examinations in the 2 days before the swab;
- ✓ you may request justified leave to present to your employer at the clinic;
- ✓ if you have problems due to serious motor difficulties, contact us, so that we can offer you better assistance;
- ✓ **Please, follow the current COVID-19 prevention indications.**

The result of the test will be communicated to you on the Electronic Health Record (**Fascicolo Sanitario Elettronico**) and possibly by letter to your home. However, if further investigations are required, you will receive a phone call from the healthcare staff at the Screening Centre.

The information on the processing of personal data is available on the website [www.ausl.bologna.it](http://www.ausl.bologna.it) in the section dedicated to Oncology Screenings.

Kind regards.

The Health Director Bologna Local Health Authority