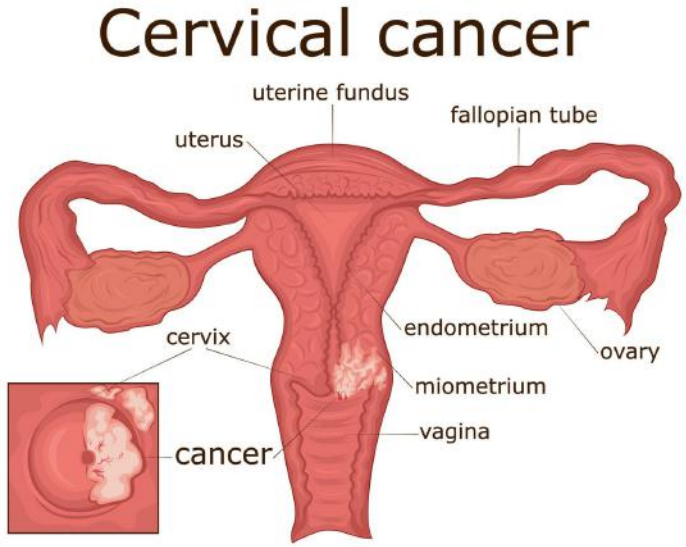


What is Cervical Cancer?

Cervical cancer begins in the cervix, the lower part of the uterus. It is often caused by the Human Papillomavirus (HPV), a common sexually transmitted infection. Early detection and vaccination can prevent most cases.

Key Facts:

- Cervical cancer is preventable and treatable if detected early.
- It is the 2nd most common cancer among Indian women.
- Regular screening reduces the risk significantly.



Symptoms to Watch For:

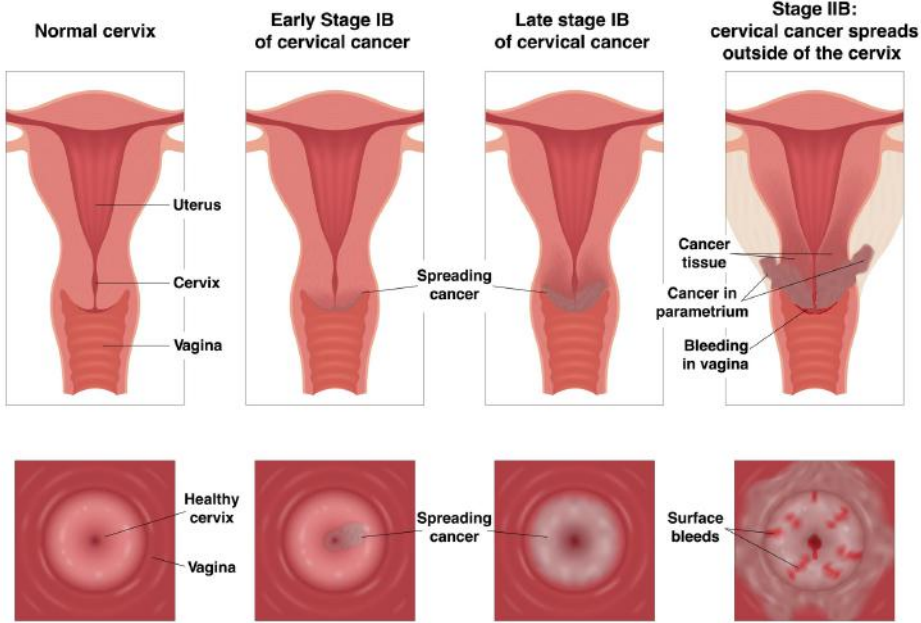
- Abnormal vaginal bleeding (after intercourse, between periods, or post-menopause).
- Unusual vaginal discharge (watery, pink, or foul-smelling).
- Pelvic pain or pain during intercourse.

Did You Know?

Cervical cancer often has no symptoms in its early stages, making regular screening crucial!

Risk Factors

- Persistent HPV infection (main cause).
- Early sexual activity or multiple sexual partners.
- Smoking and weakened immunity.
- Long-term use of oral contraceptives.



Prevention Tips

- **HPV Vaccination:**
 - Recommended for girls and boys aged 9 - 26.
 - 9 - 14 years: 2 Doses (0, 6 Months)
 - 15 - 26 years: 3 Doses (0, 2, 6 Months)
 - Protects against high-risk HPV types.
- **Regular Screening:**
 - Pap Smear: Detects abnormal cells in the cervix.
 - HPV Test: Identifies high-risk HPV infections.
- **Lifestyle Changes:**
 - Avoid smoking.
 - Practice safe sex by using condoms and limiting sexual partners.
- **Stay Informed:**
 - Know your risk and consult your doctor for guidance.

Take Action Today!

Early Detection Saves Lives

- Schedule a Screening.
- Get Vaccinated: Protect yourself and your loved ones from HPV.
- Consult Your Doctor: For guidance on prevention and treatment.



JOIN THE FIGHT AGAINST CERVICAL CANCER!
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