

## Doctor Training

There is no specific guidance for cytology training for GPs however, NHSCSP Guidance for the training of cervical sample takers 2016



does state 'the guidance represents best practice for the training of sample takers.

It is designed to be used for training doctors and nurses working in primary care, CaSH services and other settings where cervical samples are taken as part of the NHS Cervical Screening Programme (NHSCSP).

## Theoretical Training

Public Health England recommends completion of the following module:-

Sample Taker E-learning Module

<http://www.e-lfh.org.uk/programmes/nhs-screening-programmes/>

## Practical training

Sample Taking Coordinator within practice to register GP on NEYH Cervical Sample Taker Database (CSTD), a sample taker code can then be issued prior to commencement of cervical sampling. Within GP practice identify experienced sample taker to undertake training - Observe at least two samples being taken. Take a minimum of five samples under supervision

Audit of the next 20 unsupervised samples and discuss with lead cervical sample taker.

## Completion of training

When training complete, Dr to add all training details to CSTD and to attend the next available cervical screening update training.

## Cervical Screening Updates

Cervical screening update requirements are that you must undertake 3 hours of face to face study, unfortunately there are no planned updates available at the moment, to meet this requirement you should access the on line eLearning package which will, include reading the recommended literature to fulfil these requirements.

This can be found at: <http://www.e-lfh.org.uk/programmes/nhs-screening-programmes/> Or go to our website, [www.cervicalscreeningtraining.co.uk](http://www.cervicalscreeningtraining.co.uk) and follow the link there. You will need to register if you have not previously used this site. Please see the attached information for guidance.

Once you have completed the E-learning either upload your certificate and save it to the CSTD database or forward to me and I will be happy to do this for you ([michelle.harrison5@nhs.net](mailto:michelle.harrison5@nhs.net))

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