Ready to start planning your care? Call us at 800-525-2225 to make an appointment.
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Surgeon Jennifer Mueller specializes in caring for women with cervical cancer. She works as part of a team of experts who are dedicated to providing the highest standard of care.

Many women come to Memorial Sloan Kettering after they have had an abnormal Pap smear that indicates cancerous changes in the cervix during a routine visit to the doctor. When you come to us, our doctors will likely examine the cervix, take a biopsy of cervical tissue, and perform other tests to assess the stage of the cancer.

Cervical Cancer Diagnostic Tests

Pap Smear
+

Liquid-Based Cytology
+

Colposcopy and Biopsy
+

Cone Biopsy (Conization)
+

Cervical Cancer Imaging Tests

Our doctors may order a chest x-ray, CT scan of the abdomen and pelvis, and/or an MRI scan if there is reason to believe that the cancer has spread, or metastasized, beyond the cervix to other parts of the body.

Cervical Cancer Stages

Regardless of whether you are treated at Memorial Sloan Kettering or at another institution, the stage of the cancer will largely determine the treatment approach that your doctor recommends.

Carcinoma In Situ/Precancers (Stage 0)

Cervical cancer is classified into several stages:

The first stage of cervical cancer is carcinoma in situ (also known as precancer or severe dysplasia), in which a group of abnormal cells has started to grow but has not yet spread to nearby tissues. Because stage 0 “precancers” are likely to eventually spread deeper into the tissue and become cancerous, they should be treated.

Early Cervical Cancer (Stages I–IIA)

Although more extensive than stage 0, these cancers are still limited to the cervix.

Advanced Cervical Cancer (Stages IIB–IVA)

Cervical cancer that has spread beyond the cervix and invaded the surrounding pelvic tissues in the vagina, rectum, or bladder is known as locally advanced cervical cancer.

Stage IVB and Recurrent Cervical Cancer

Cervical cancer that has spread beyond the pelvis (into the lungs or liver, for example), or has returned following initial therapy, is placed in this category.

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