



The challenge: Prepare a short concept note in which you detail your ideas to increase the access, acceptance, **or** uptake of HPV and cervical cancer prevention services (vaccination, screening, and/or early treatment) among adolescents and women in your community.

Purpose: To elevate the voices and perspectives of nurses and midwives who are providing HPV and / or cervical cancer vaccination, screening, and/or early treatment to better inform policy discussions and decisions globally and locally.

Issues addressed by participants could include (but are not limited to):

- Overcoming the existing social, logistical, or financial barriers women and adolescents face when seeking HPV vaccination and cervical cancer screening & treatment in specific communities.
- Improving accessibility among difficult-to-reach or marginalised communities that face increased barriers to accessing health services, such as those from minority or remote communities, adolescents who are out of school, etc.
- Dispelling myths and rumors about HPV vaccines and cervical cancer screening and treatment to increase acceptance and uptake among patients.
- Increasing the connection to management & treatment services (decreasing loss to follow-up) for women who screen positive for pre-cancer lesions.
- Integrating HPV vaccination and/or cervical cancer screening and treatment with existing health or non-health services (e.g., maternal, newborn, child health; HIV/AIDs; nutrition; mental health; etc.)
- Achieving a multi-generational approach to cervical cancer prevention that captures education, awareness and service delivery for adolescents (vaccination) and screening/treatment for older family members.
- Educating parents and community & religious leaders around the importance of preventing HPV and cervical cancer through vaccination, screening and early treatment.

Deadline: Midnight (GMT) 13th December 2024

[Guidelines](#)

How to get started: You are encouraged to participate in the launch webinar which will take place on **18th October at 2pm (BST)**. During this webinar, you will receive detailed information about the theme of this challenge and the context within which it is set, guidance on developing your ideas and key dates.

As with all Nursing Now Challenge Global Solutions Initiatives, you are required to prepare a concept note which provides key information about you and your ideas.

[What should your concept note include?](#)

Personal information

- Name, job title and employer name

- Location
- Contact details including your email address

Context

- Describe the HPV/ cervical cancer situation in your country or region.
- What are the primary issues/ challenges faced with regards to vaccination, screening, and/or early treatment among adolescents and women in your community.

Your ideas: Describe an innovative idea to increase the access, acceptance, or uptake of HPV and cervical cancer prevention services (vaccination, screening, and/or early treatment) among adolescents and women in your communities.

You should provide a detailed description of the ways in which you plan to utilise your personal experiences as a student or early-career nurse or midwife in interacting with patients, colleagues, and family/friends/community to inspire nursing and midwifery leadership in advocating for access, acceptance, or uptake of HPV and cervical cancer prevention services.

Please ensure that you answer the following questions in your description...

- Which personal experiences will you focus on and why?
- How will these experiences inspire nursing and midwifery leadership in advocating for access, acceptance, or uptake of HPV and cervical cancer prevention services, in your country or your community?
- How will you address the challenges that you have identified?
- How will your activity improve outcomes and benefit patients and/or the target community?
- What makes your activity innovative? Include details of any digital platforms to be used
- Who is needed in order to bring this to life?
- Have you already identified and engaged with stakeholders to discuss your ideas?
- How would you spread the word and encourage wider uptake of this approach?
- How does your idea support the leadership development of early-career nurses and midwives? For example, does your approach encourage the involvement of early-career nurses and midwives in influencing policies and decision-making?
- How would you evaluate the impact and success of your activity?

Conclusion

- Tell us about you and what motivated you to take part in this NNCOSI with the Sabin Vaccine Institute's Global HPV Consortium?
- Explain how participating in this initiative is supporting your career development and how you will use the contacts made and knowledge gained.

Requirements for winners

The Nursing Now Challenge and The Global HPV Consortium will select one winner for this challenge. The winner will be invited to attend the Global HPV Consortium Partners' Meeting in February 2025 during which they will present and receive feedback on their innovative ideas from a transdisciplinary



group of global, regional and country-based experts. A recording of the solution presented by the winner during the Partners' Meeting will be featured on Sabin and the Nursing Now Challenge's YouTube page and promoted on social media.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us: challenge@nursingnow.global