

Three Day Update for Consultant Staff in Cervical Cytology

Course ref: GY-AP-0426

DATE: 13th, 14th and 15th April 2026

VENUE: NEPSEC Wakefield

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A Three-Day Update Course for Consultant Biomedical Scientists

This three-day course is suitable for both Consultant Biomedical Scientists and Doctors who report cervical cytology as part of the cervical screening programme and satisfies NHSCSP requirements for mandatory training.

The days can be taken all together or individually to suit candidates needs. Sessions will include a perspective on AI screening, an update on cervical cancer treatment, medicolegal issues in the cervical screening programme and the uses of next generation sequencing in women's health. There will also be a histology/cytology correlation workshop.

There will be a multiheader session where participants are encouraged bring their own slides for discussion, whether these are from audits (invasive audit, audit of HPV+/ Cytology negative referrals etc.) or from the MDT. This has the advantage of encouraging the discussion of issues encountered by the participants, with the aim of being supportive and learning from experience.

There will also be opportunities to debate and discuss local practice with other course participants which should increase the learning experience.

The faculty includes:

Nicolle Villeneuve	Consultant BMS – Cervical Cytology
Dr Georgios Theophilou	Consultant Gynaecological Oncologist Leeds Cancer Centre, St James' Hospital
Mr Mike Hannemann	Consultant Gynaecological Oncologist Royal Devon University Hospital NHS-FT
Dr Angela Ralte	Consultant Histopathologist and Cytopathologist Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Gateshead
Elsbeth Brzezinska	Clinical Scientist Scottish HPV Reference Laboratory, Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh

Cost: £290 for all three days or £105 per day. A buffet lunch, tea & coffee are included

NHS non-medic participants attending from the North West, North East, Yorkshire & Humber, East Midlands or West Midlands regions will incur a £15 administration fee per day.

Learning Outcomes

At the end of the three days participants will

- Have assessed and updated their knowledge of cervical cytopathology
- Be aware of current thinking in the treatment of cervical cancer
- Be aware of approaches to the assessment of difficult cases in cervical cytopathology
- Understand the medicolegal issues surrounding cervical screening
- Be aware of potential opportunities and threats presented by AI screening
- Be aware of the current and possible roles of NGS in women's health
- Have been able to share, discuss and learn from interesting and contentious cases

Venue

This event will be held at the NEPSEC training centre in Wakefield. Directions can be found at:

<https://www.nepsec.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Directions-to-Wakefield-Office-Village-3.pdf>

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Programme

Day One Monday 13th April 2026

9.15	Coffee and Registration	
9.30	Automated screening in cervical cytology	N Villeneuve
10.15	Break	
10.30	Cervical cancer: predicting invasion	Workshop
12.30	Lunch	
1.00 (continued)	Cervical cancer: predicting invasion	Workshop
2.00	Workshop review	
3.00	Break	
3.15	Participants interesting/ difficult cases	Participants
4.15	Close	

Day Two Tuesday 14th April 2026

9.00	Histology/ cytology correlation workshop	Dr A Ralte
10.00	Break	
10.15	Histology/ cytology correlation workshop (Continued)	Dr A Ralte
1.00	Lunch	
1.30	Workshop review	
3.15	Break	
3.45	Medico-legal issues in cervical cytology screening	Mr M Hannemann
4.30	Close	

Day Three Wednesday 15th April 2026

9.00	The treatment of cervical cancer	Dr G Theophilou
10.00	Break	
10.15	Peer review workshop	Workshop
1. 00	Lunch	
1.30	Workshop review	
3.15	Break	
3.30	The uses of Next Generation Screening in women's health	Elspeth Brzezinska
4.30	Close	