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# Managing HPV for HIV-Positive Women

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# Parallel Paths Project

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- A series of training sessions on topics of reproductive health for HIV/AIDS social and medical service providers
  - Find more and updated information at: [http://mcrh-tn.org/outreach\\_parallel\\_paths.asp](http://mcrh-tn.org/outreach_parallel_paths.asp)
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# Learning Objectives

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- Discuss the epidemiology and natural history of HPV infection and cervical intraepithelial neoplasia
- Identify the most common genital HPV types in benign and malignant disease

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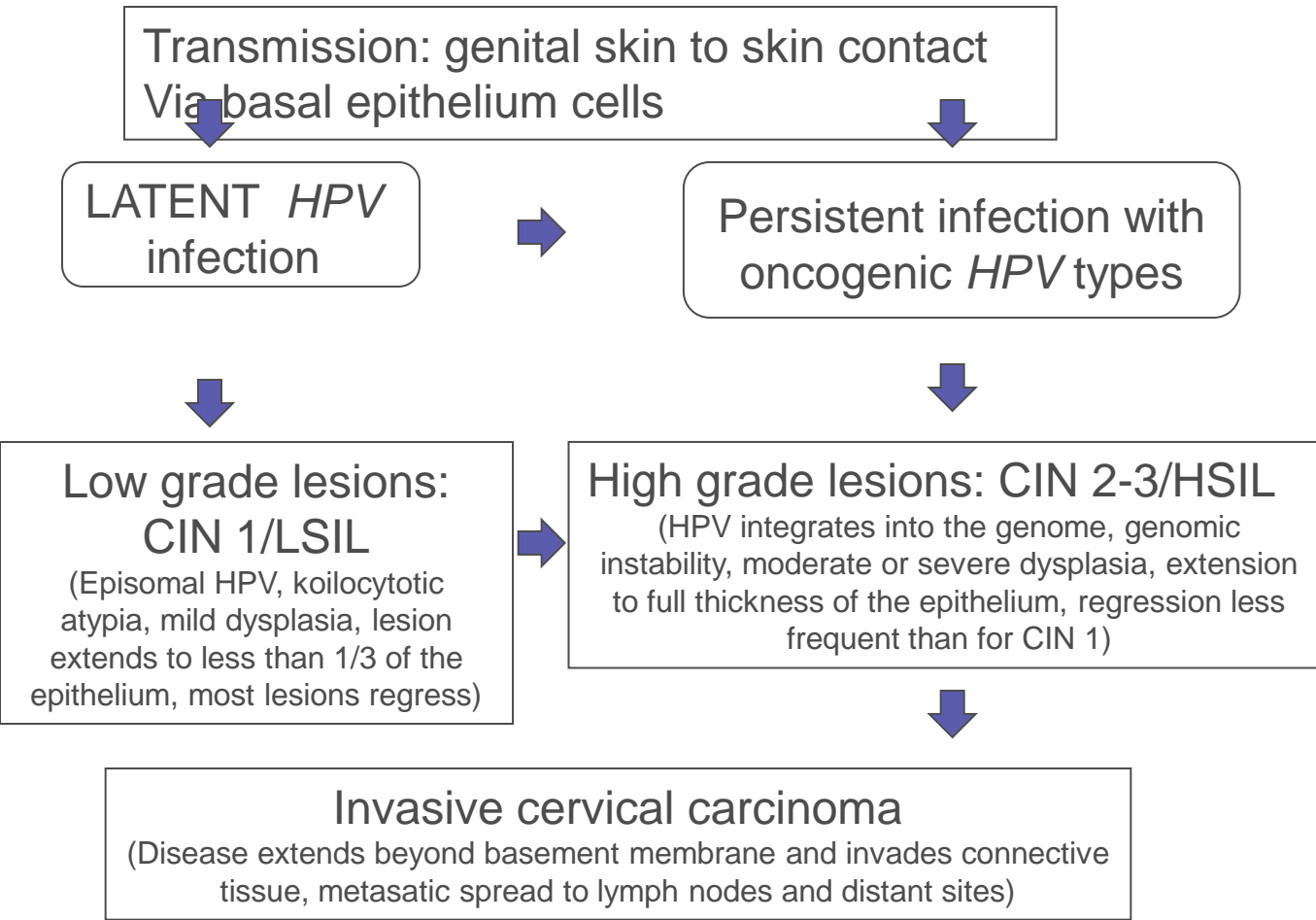
- Discuss the significance of persistent infection with high-risk HPV type
  - Identify the most common mode of HPV transmission
  - Identify additional impact of HPV for HIV positive individuals
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# HPV Associated with Cancer and External Genital Warts

|                          | High-Risk Types                                   | Low-Risk Types                   |
|--------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Selected types           | 16,18,31,33,35,<br>39,45,51,52,56,<br>58,59,68,82 | 6,11,40,42,43,<br>44,54,61,72,81 |
| Associated abnormalities | Low-grade cervical lesions                        | Low-grade cervical lesions       |
|                          | High-grade cervical lesions                       | External genital warts           |
|                          | Anogenital cancers                                |                                  |

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# HPV Necessary for Cervical Cancer



## Cofactors:

- Oral contraceptive use, other hormonal influences
- Parity
- Other STIs
- Smoking
- Nutrition
- Host genetics: Polymorphisms in HLA and other genes
- Viral genetics: Genotype, molecular variants



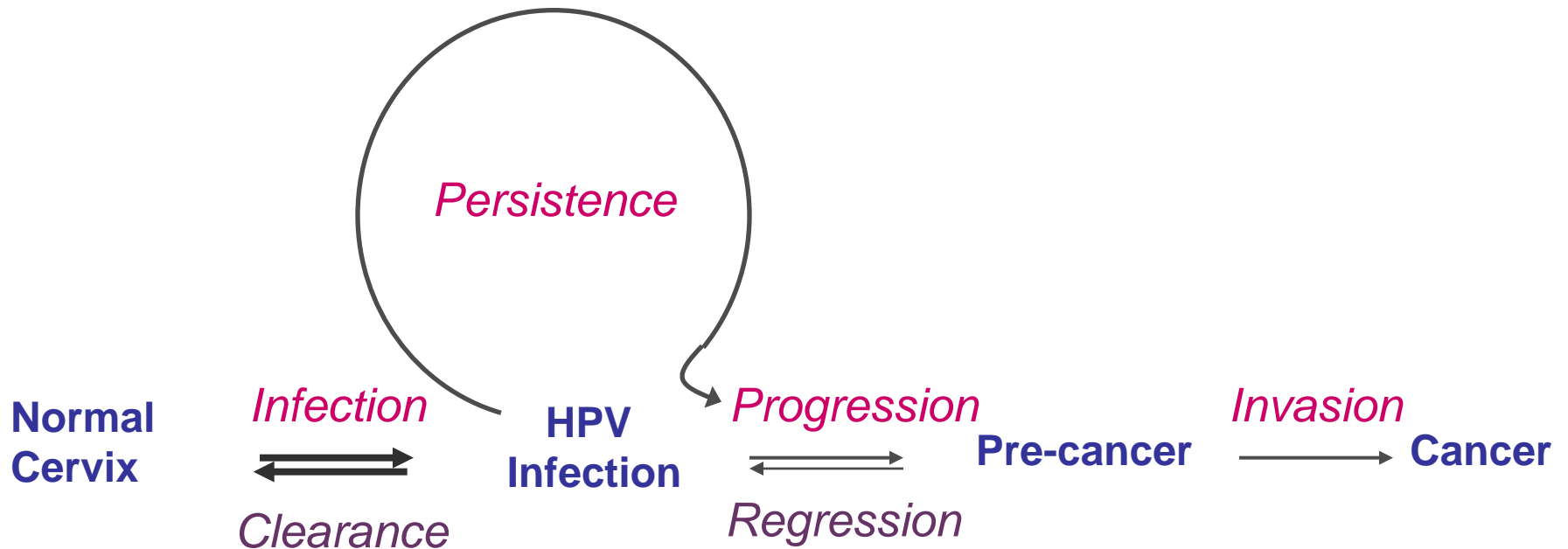
# HPV Transmission

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- Virus primarily transmitted via genital contact
- Primarily through sexual intercourse, including receptive anal intercourse
- Can also be transmitted by:
  - Non-penetrating sexual activities
  - Oral-genital contact
- Fomite transmission has never been proven

# Natural History of HPV & Cervical Cancer

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Courtesy of M. Schiffman, National Cancer Institute.

# High Lifetime Risk of HPV Infection

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- 6.2 million new infections
- NHANES 2003-2004 reports a prevalence rate of 26.8% in US females age 14 -59
- Approximately 75% lifetime risk for sexually active individuals
- Additional research for HIV positive individuals, show similar prevalence of HPV

# New HPV Infection is Common in Young Women

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Study of 603 female college students

- About 20% were HPV positive at entry
- Almost 40% converted to positive within 24 months

# HPV Cumulative Incidence: Ho Study

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## Three-year study

- 608 college students in NJ
  - Mean age 20 years
- Cumulative 36-month incidence of high-risk HPV in women negative at baseline: 43%
- By 12 months after infection, 70% had cleared the infection
- By 24 months, over 90% had cleared the infection

# Prevalence of HPV in Men

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- HPV prevalence in men ranged from 1.3% to 72.9%.
- Most studies (56%) showed  $\geq 20\%$  prevalence

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# Prevalence of HPV in Men (Continued)

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- Rates were influenced by:
  - Study population
  - Number of sites collected
  - Number of samples collected
  - Methods used to detect HPV DNA
- Multiple types were common (>50%) and HPV 16 was consistently among the most common anogenital types isolated.

# HPV Cumulative Incidence: Brown Study

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## Two-year study

- 60 female adolescents 14-17 years old
- 80% had high-risk HPV at some point
- Only 3 had all specimens test negative
- All 3 denied any sexual exposure



# Role of Persistent Infection

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- Persistent infection with high-risk types of HPV is necessary for the progression of high grade lesions to invasive cancer
- Only persistent infection with high-risk types of HPV progresses to high-grade precancerous lesions and invasive cancer

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# Role of Persistent Infection (Continued)

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- Average episode lasts 4-20 months
- <50% of women have same type 1 year later
- Type 16 has a greater risk of persistence

# HPV-Associated Disease

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## Anogenital cancers

- Cervical
- Anal
- Vulvar and vaginal

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# HPV-Associated Disease (Continued)

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- Other cancers
  - Oral cavity, pharynx, larynx
  - Skin
  - Conjunctiva
- External genital warts
- Laryngeal papillomatosis

# HPV and Cervical Cancer

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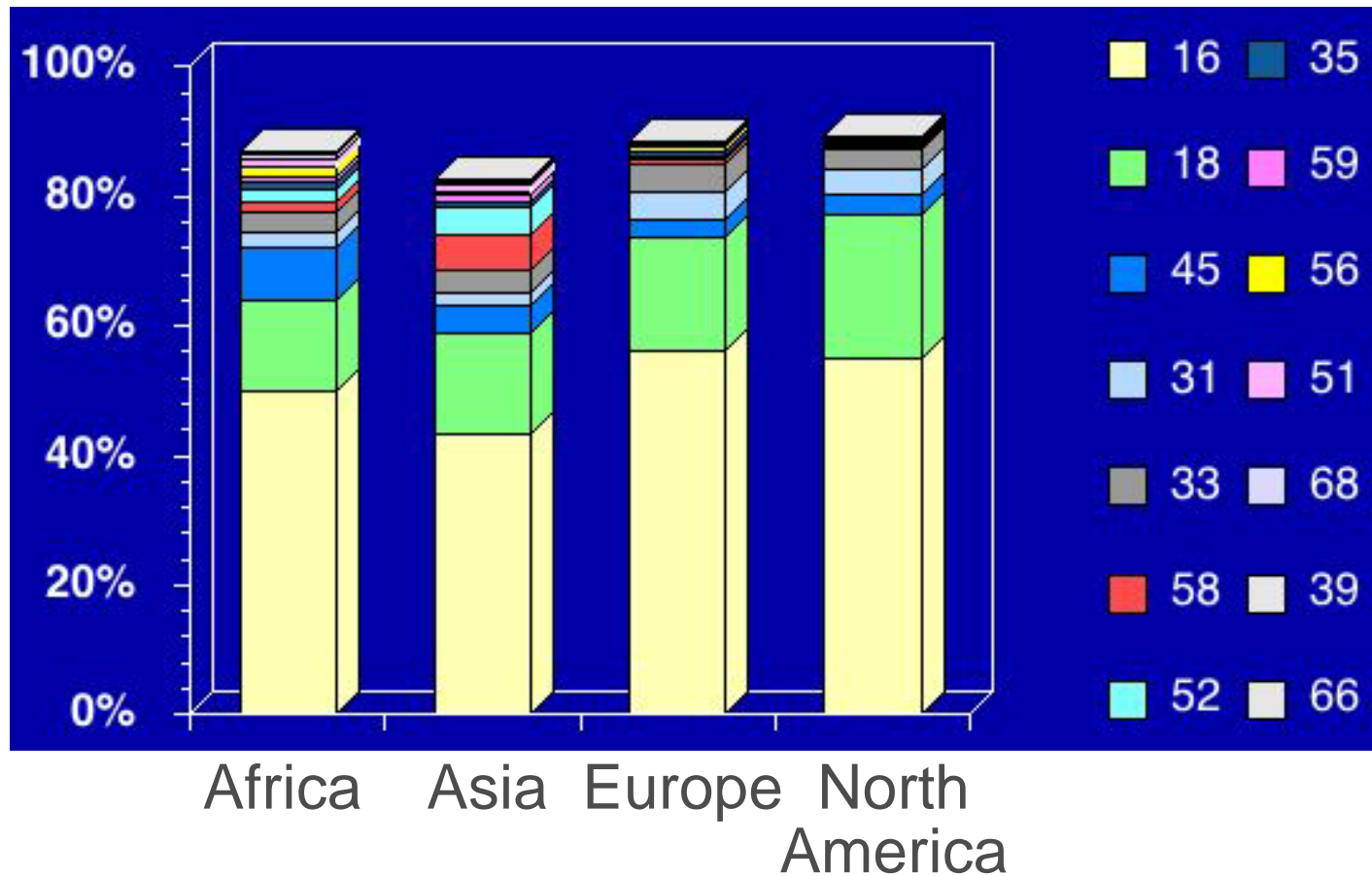
- Virtually all cervical cancers are associated with persistent infection with high-risk HPV types
- Data from a variety of studies have confirmed that certain HPV types are associated with cervical cancer:
  - 16, 18, 31, 33, 35, 39, 45, 51, 52, 56, 58, 59
- Others are probably associated:
  - 26, 53, 66, 68, 73, 82

# HPV Impact: Cervical Cancer

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- In the US in 2007:
  - 11,150 cases
  - 3,670 deaths
- Worldwide (2005 estimate):
  - 288,000 deaths per year
  - 80% of deaths occur in developing countries
- Cervical cancer screening: costs \$3.4 billion annually

# HPV Types Associated with Cervical Cancer



# HPV and Non-Cervical Cancers

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- HPV 16 and 18
  - Evidence of causal role in cancer of vagina, vulva, penis, anus
- HPV 16
  - Evidence of carcinogenicity in oral cavity, oropharynx, periungual skin

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# HPV and Non-Cervical Cancers

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- HPV 18
  - Some evidence of carcinogenicity in oral cavity
- HPV 6, 11, 16, and 18
  - Limited evidence for carcinogenicity in laryngx

# HPV Associated Cancer - US

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| Site         | Total Cancers | # Cases Attributable to HPV (%) |
|--------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Cervix       | 11,150        | 11,150 (100)                    |
| Penis        | 1,280         | 512 (40)                        |
| Vulva/Vagina | 5,630         | 2,252 (40)                      |
| Anus         | 4,650         | 4,185 (90)                      |
| Airway       | 24,540        | 6,380 (26)                      |
| TOTAL        | 47,250        | 24,479 (12)                     |

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American Cancer Society. Cancer Facts and Figures. 2007;  
Parkin DM. *Vaccine*. 2006.

# HPV 16 and Abnormal Pap Tests

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| Category | Percentage |       | Total per Year |
|----------|------------|-------|----------------|
|          | Paps       | 16+   |                |
| ASC      | 5.1%       | 13.3% | 399,000        |
| LSIL     | 2.6%       | 23.6% | 295,000        |
| HSIL     | 0.7%       | 60.7% | 182,100        |

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Davey DD. *Arch Path Lab Med.* 2004.  
CDC. *MMWR* (RR-2). 2007

# Impact: External Genital Warts

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- 90% caused by HPV types 6 and 11
- Affects 1% of sexually active women age 18 to 45
- 500,000 to 1 million cases annually
- 240,000 initial office visits
- 1/3 of all STI dollars
- \$167 million annually

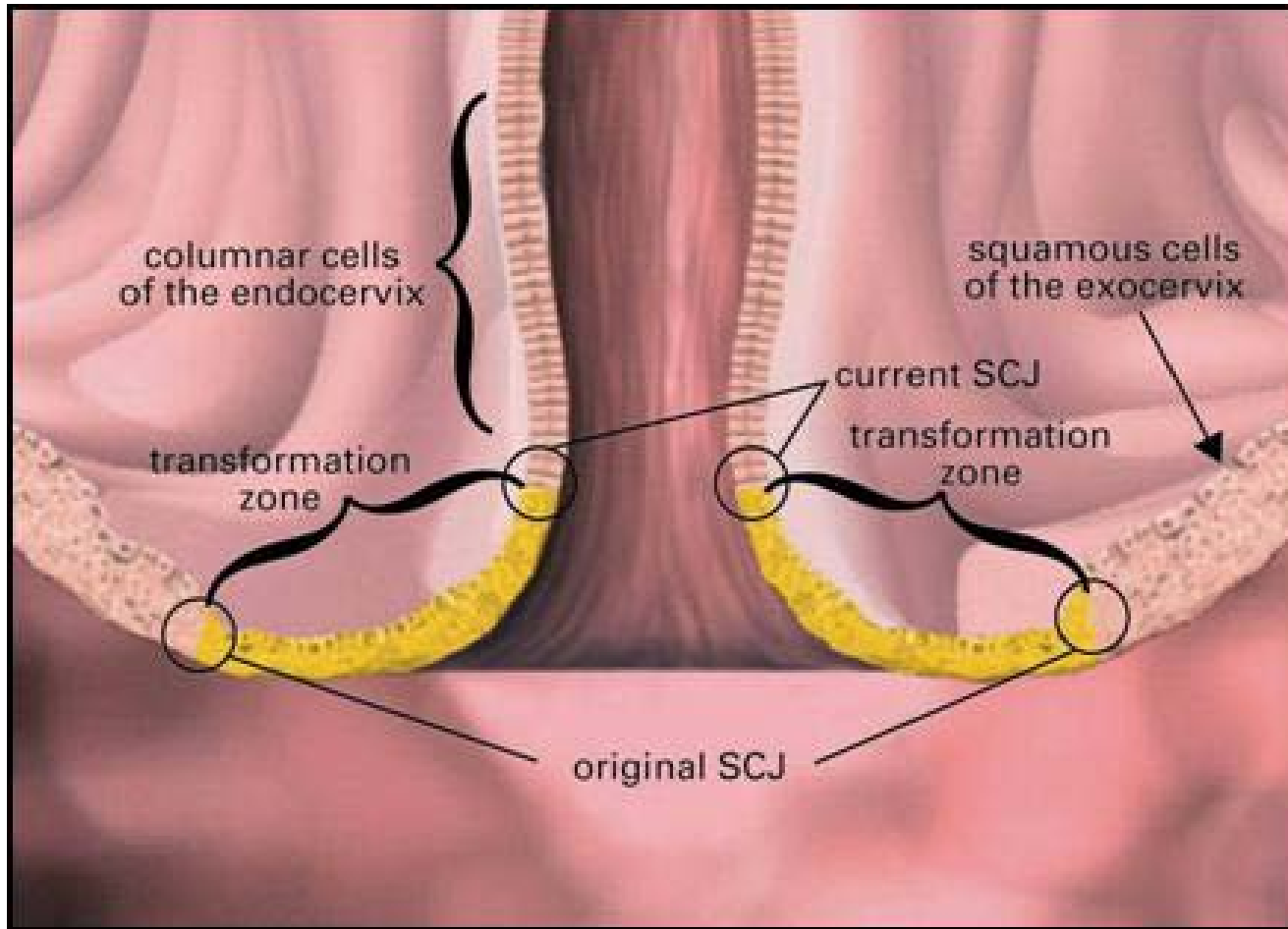
# Transformation Zones and HPV Infection

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- Area where one type of epithelium contacts and gradually replaces another through process of metaplasia
- Present in cervix, anus, tonsils
- Areas of HPV-related carcinogenesis

# Cervical Transformation Zone

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Source:

<http://www.merckmedicus.com/ppdocs/us/hcp/diseasemodules/hpvd/images/figure25.jpg>

# Human Immunity

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## Acquired

**Humoral  
Immunity**

**Cellular  
Immunity**

**Antigen**

**Bacteria,  
Parasite**

**Viruses, Tumors**

**Effectors**

**B Cells**

**T Cells**

**Result**

**Antibody  
Production**

**Cytotoxic T cell  
activation**

# T Lymphocytes

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- Recognize peptide antigen presented in HLA
  - T Helper Cells secrete cytokines
  - Cytotoxic T lymphocytes attack tumor and HPV presenting cells
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# Risk Factors for HPV Infection

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Sexual  
Activity

Multiple  
Partners

Younger  
age at  
sexual  
debut

Lack of  
condom  
use

# Risk Factors for *Persistent* HPV Infection &/or Neoplastic Progression

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- Smoking
- HPV type
- Increasing age
- Lack of condom use
- Immunodeficiency (eg, HIV)
- Possibly OC use
- Possibly other STIs, such as chlamydia

# Risk of Progression

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| Degree of dysplasia | Regression | Persistence | Progression to invasive cancer |
|---------------------|------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| CIN 1               | 60%        | 30%         | 1%                             |
| CIN 2               | 40-50%     | 40%         | 5%                             |
| CIN 3               | 33%        | 55%         | >12%                           |

# Current Approach to Cervical Cancer Prevention

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Requires 3 separate but linked components

- Screening
  - Cytology with or without HPV DNA testing
- Evaluation of screen positive women using colposcopy and cervical biopsy
- Treatment of women with biopsy-confirmed high-grade cervical cancer precursors

# Guidelines: Cervical Cancer Screening Interval

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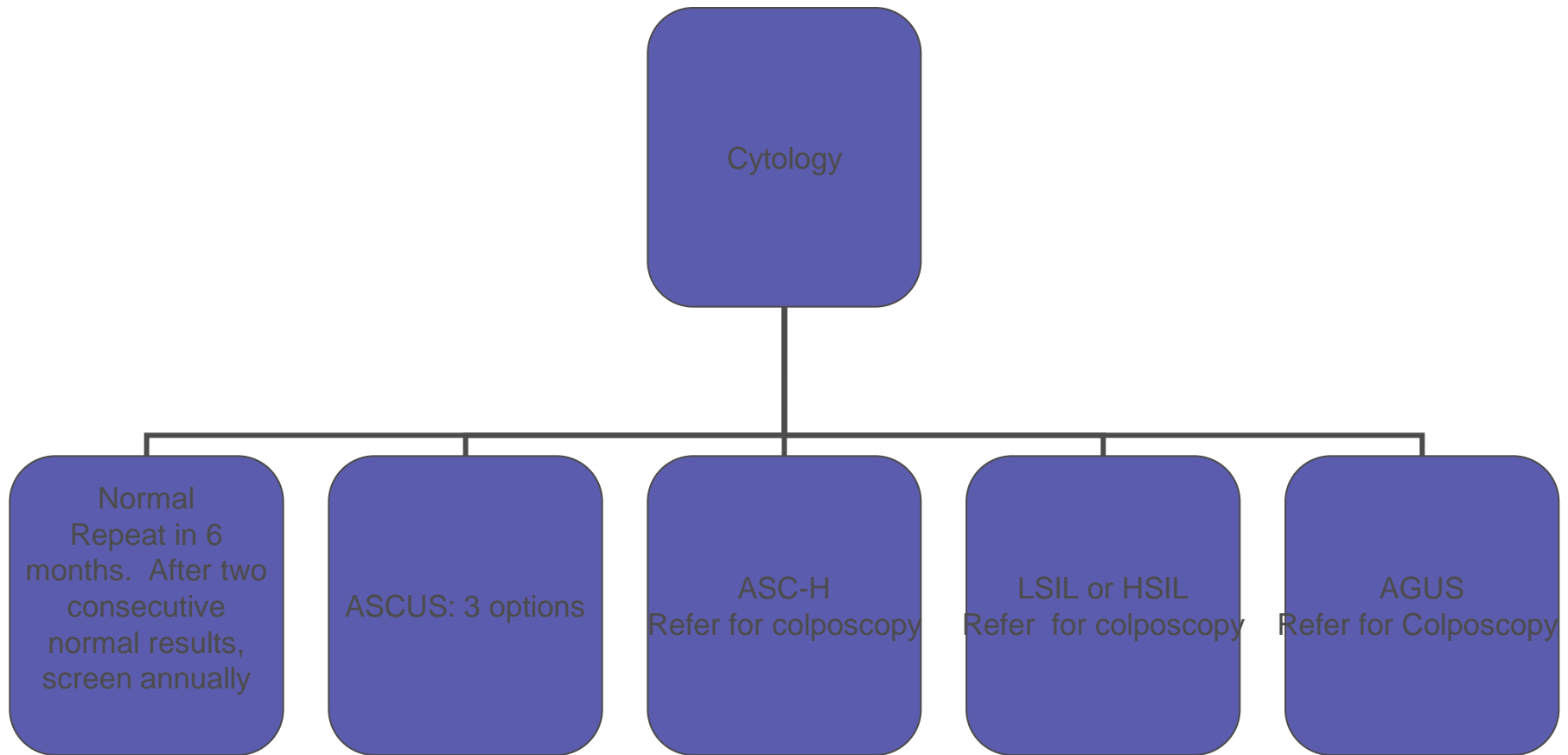
## ACS

- Annually with conventional Pap test
- Every 2 years with liquid-based test
- At age 30 if 3 normal consecutive Pap tests, change to every 2 to 3 years

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# Management of Abnormal Pap Results in HIV-infected Women

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# In Summary

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- Most will get HPV at some time
  - Most will clear high risk HPV, but some will not
  - The time to clear HPV is variable
  - Persistence of HIGH RISK HPV can lead to true pre-cancer
  - LONG persistence of HPV and CIN 3 are necessary for the accumulations of random mutations that can lead to cancer
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