

A message from **Adam Morgan, M.D.** (*Laboratory Medical Director | SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital - Madison*) ...



## Pap Test Follow Up Comment Change

Dear Providers, Clinical Staff, Directors, and Managers,

Effective March 1, 2021, SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital – Madison Laboratory will be moving to a standard recommendation for all Pap reports based upon the 2019 ASCCP Risk-Based Management Consensus Guidelines for Abnormal Cervical Screening Tests and Cancer Precursors which were published in 2020. It will read as follows:

*Clinical correlation recommended, with follow-up as directed by current ASCCP risk-based management consensus guidelines.*

We specifically draw attention to the change that recommendations regarding follow up for abnormal cervical cancer screening tests (surveillance, colposcopy, or treatment) are now based on the patient's calculated risk for CIN3 or above based on a combination of current results and medical history.

Please refer to the references below for help in navigating these new guidelines. The ASCCP also has decision aids available through a smartphone app (for purchase) and on their website (for free) at [www.asccp.org](http://www.asccp.org). References:

- *Perkins RB, Guido RS, Castle PE, et al. 2019 ASCCP Risk-Based Management Consensus Guidelines for Abnormal Cervical Cancer Screening Tests and Cancer Precursors. J Low Genit Tract Dis. 2020;24(2):102-131.*
- *Egemen D, Cheung LC, Chen X, et al. Risk Estimates Supporting the 2019 ASCCP Risk-Based Management Consensus Guidelines. J Low Genit Tract Dis. 2020;24(2):132-143.*

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Anthony Winchell, Cytology Technical Specialist, at 608-258-5976, or Adam Morgan M.D., Medical Director of Laboratory Services, at 608-258-6914.

Please communicate to colleagues and staff in your area accordingly.

Thank you,

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