

GLOSSARY

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5-FU	5 Fluorouracil
AAFP	American Academy of Family Physicians
ACOG	American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
ACP	American College of Physicians
ACPM	American College of Preventive Medicine
ACS	American Cancer Society
AGC	Atypical glandular cells (formerly called AGUS)
AGC-NOS	Atypical glandular cells, not otherwise specified
AHCPR	Agency for Health Care Policy and Research
AHRQ	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (formerly AHCPR)
AIS	Adenocarcinoma <i>in situ</i>
ARHP	Association of Reproductive Health Practitioners
ASCCP	American Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology
ASCP	American Society of Clinical Pathologists
ASC-H	Atypical squamous cells suggestive of HSIL
ASC-US	Atypical squamous cells of undetermined significance
ASHA	American Social Health Association
BCC	Breast and cervical Cancer (Project/Program), local or state program (see NBCCEDP)
CAT/CT	Computed axial tomography
CDC	U. S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CIN	Cervical intraepithelial neoplasia
CIN-1	Cervical intraepithelial neoplasia grade 1 (mild)
CIN-2	Cervical intraepithelial neoplasia grade 2 (moderate)
CIN-3	Cervical intraepithelial neoplasia grade 3 (severe)
CIS	Carcinoma <i>in situ</i> (preinvasive cancer)
CLIA	Clinical Laboratories Improvement Act of 1967 and the Clinical Laboratories Improvement Amendments of 1988
CT	Chlamydia (<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i>)
DES	Diethylstilbestrol
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
E(ORF)	Early Open Reading Frame, a gene
E6	Gene in HPV that inactivates tumor suppressor p53
E7	Gene in HPV that inactivates tumor suppressor pRb
ECC	Endocervical Curettage
EC/TZ	Endocervical cells and/or transformation zone component
EMB	Endometrial biopsy
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FIGO	International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics
GC	Gonorrhea or gonococcus (<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i>)
GCF	Gynecologic Cancer Foundation
HC-II	Hybrid Capture-II, HPV test

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HR-HPV	High risk HPV
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
HPV	Human papillomavirus
HSIL	High grade squamous intraepithelial lesion, moderate or severe dysplasia, moderate or severe cervical intraepithelial neoplasia, CIN-2, CIN-3, or CIS
IUD	Intrauterine Device
LASER	Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation
LBC	Liquid-based cytology (or Pap)
LEEP	Loop Electrosurgical Excision Procedure
LLETZ	Large Loop Excision of the Transformation Zone
LSIL	Low grade squamous intraepithelial lesion, HPV infection and/or mild dysplasia, CIN-1
MDE	Minimum Data Elements
MRI	Magnetic resonance imaging
NANPWH	National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health
NBCCEDP	National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program
NCI	National Cancer Institute
NCCLS	National Committee for Clinical Laboratory Standards
OSCJ	Original squamocolumnar junction (before puberty)
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
p53	Protein number 53, error-checking gene in cell cycle; protein that can halt cell division and induce abnormal cells to self-destruct
Pap	Papanicolaou (smear/test)
PET	Positron emission tomography
RBC	Red Blood Cell(s)
pRb	Protein Rb (retinoblastoma), growth suppressor or tumor suppressor gene; protein that is master brake on cell cycle, stops cells for repair or destruction
QC	Quality control
SCJ	Squamocolumnar Junction, area where high grade dysplasia starts (within +/- 0.5 cm)
SEER	National Cancer Institute's Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results
SGO	Society of Gynecologic Oncologists
SIL	Squamous intraepithelial lesion (LSIL, HSIL and CIS)
STD	Sexually Transmitted Disease(s), sexually transmitted infection(s)
TBS	The Bethesda System (of Pap smear nomenclature)
TBS-1	The Bethesda System (1988)
TBS-2	The Bethesda System (1991)
TBS-3	The Bethesda System (2001)
TZ	Transformation zone of cervix
USA	United States of America
USPHS	U.S. Public Health Service
USPSTF	U.S. Preventive Services Task Force
VAIN	Vaginal intraepithelial neoplasia
VIN	Vulvar intraepithelial neoplasia
WBC	White Blood Cells
WHO	World Health Organization