CAMEROON
CERVICAL CANCER PROFILE

Morbidity and Mortality

Crude cervical cancer incidence per 100 000 women (2020): 20.9
Age-standardized cervical cancer incidence per 100 000 women (2020): 33.7
Cumulative risk of cervical cancer, ages 0-74 (2020): 3.6%
Cervical cancer deaths (2019): 1,600
Cervical cancer mortality-to-incidence ratio (2020): 0.65
Population-based cancer registry exists (2021): No

Primary Prevention

HPV vaccination programme coverage among girls (2020)

Programme coverage * Coverage by age 15 †

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HPV vaccination programme (2020):

HPV included in national vaccination programme: Yes
Scale of vaccination programme: National
Year of introduction: 2020
Primary target cohort: 9 years

Related risk factors:

Tobacco use prevalence, women aged 15+ years (2020): 1%
Condom use at last high-risk sex (2018): 52%
HIV incidence per 1000, women aged 15+ years (2020): 1.06

Secondary Prevention

National screening programme for cervical cancer exists (2021): No
Primary screening test used (2021): -
Target age range of programme (2021): -
Programme/guidelines exist to strengthen early detection of first symptoms at primary health care level (2021): No
Clearly defined referral system exists from primary care to secondary and tertiary care (2021): No

Screening for cervical cancer (2019)

Screened in last 5 years

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Fewer than 1 in 10 women have been screened for cervical cancer in the last 5 years

Treatment and Supportive Care

National guidelines on cervical cancer management exist (2021): No

Cancer diagnosis and treatment services generally available (2021):

| Cancer centre or cancer department at tertiary level: | Yes |
| Pathology services (laboratories): | Yes |
| Cancer surgery: | Yes |
| Chemotherapy: | Yes |
| Radiotherapy: | Yes |

Palliative care for patients with NCDs in the public health system generally available (2021):

In primary health care facilities: No
In community or home-based care: No

Number of radiotherapy units per 10 000 cancer patients (2021): 1
Number of brachytherapy units per 10 000 cancer patients (2021): 0

Number of medical staff (per 10 000 cancer patients):

| Radiation oncologists (2019): | ND |
| Medical physicists (2019): | ND |
| Surgeons (2013): | 53 |
| Radiologists (2019): | 25 |
| Nuclear medicine physicians (2019): | ND |

WHO Cervical Cancer Elimination Strategy Targets for 2030

90% of girls fully vaccinated with the HPV vaccine by the age of 15
70% of women are screened with a high-performance test by 35 years of age and again by 45 years of age
90% of women identified with cervical disease receive treatment