## <u>Diagnosis by colposcopy:</u> <u>Cervical Intraepithelial Neoplasia II/III (CIN II/III)</u>

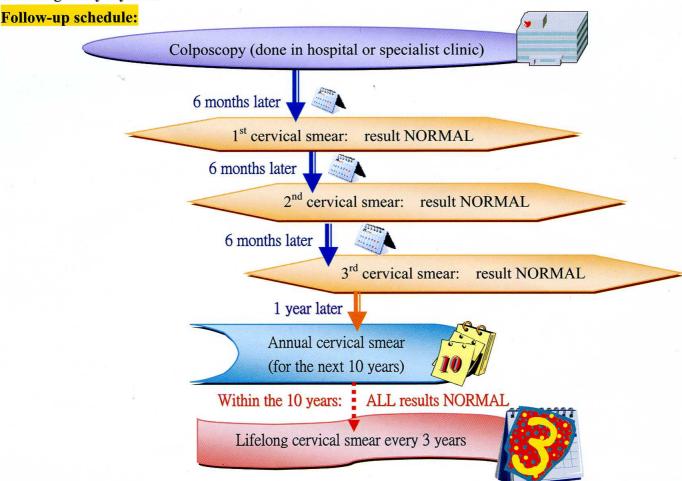
If you have been diagnosed with Cervical Intraepithelial Neoplasia II/III (CIN II/III) by colposcopy, what does this mean?

If a woman who has undergone colposcopy +/- biopsy has been diagnosed Cervical Intraepithelial Neoplasia (CIN), it means that the cells of the cervix are abnormal and have changed in appearance. For example, CIN I denotes mild changes, CIN II and CIN III denote moderate and severe changes respectively.

If your colposcopy report shows CIN II / CIN III, this means that you have moderate / severe cervical cells changes, and you have been given the appropriate treatment in the hospital or specialist clinic. In the meantime, you need to have regular and more frequent follow-up cervical smears to monitor your condition.

## When should I receive the follow-up cervical smears?

According to the 'Guidelines on the Management of Abnormal Cervical Cytology' published by the Hong Kong College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists, after colposcopy you will need repeat smear tests **every 6 months** until you have **3 consecutive** normal cervical smears. Then, you will need **annual** cervical smear for the next 10 years. If all the cervical smears are normal, you will need to continue **lifelong** cervical screening **every 3 years**.



If your cervical smear report is abnormal during follow-up, the schedule will be adjusted accordingly.

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