

New Zealand Quality Program Standards for Audit

Therapeutic Colposcopists



Audit: Recommended

Maintaining Skill Levels	
Standard 1	All treatments in each 3 year period from commencement of audit must be logged with histology
The practitioner should aim to have histological evidence of high grade changes (punch biopsy and/or loop specimen) in 80% of cases.	



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Ensuring Appropriate Selection for Treatment

Standard 2

• all women must have had a biopsy or biopsies taken prior to local ablative treatment. Unless there are special circumstances, the result of the biopsy should be available

Numerator: number of women with no biopsy recorded within 6 months prior to date of ablative treatment plus number of women with same day diagnostic biopsy and ablative treatment

Denominator: the number of women with ablative treatment.



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Ensuring Appropriate Selection for Treatment

Standard 3

• The number of women who are treated with a less than CIN2 eventual diagnosis on pathology is minimised

Numerator: number of women treated with a CIN2 or greater diagnosis on pathology within 6 months prior to or at treatment

Denominator: the number of women treated for any cervical abnormality.

Ensuring Appropriate and Adequate Follow-Up

Standard 4

• the proportion of confirmed high-grade histological treatment failures should not exceed 5% in 12 months

Numerator: the number of women with high-grade histology within 12 months following treatment for high-grade histology

Denominator: the number of women receiving treatment for high-grade histologically confirmed lesion



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Ensuring Appropriate and Adequate Follow-Up Standard 5 • Follow up of women (within 9 months) who are treated for a high-grade cervical abnormality should be maximised

Numerator: number of women for whom a cytology, biopsy or colposcopy is recorded within 9 months of treatment of histologically confirmed high grade lesion

Denominator: all women treated for a histologically confirmed high-grade lesion.