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Symptoms of cervical cancer

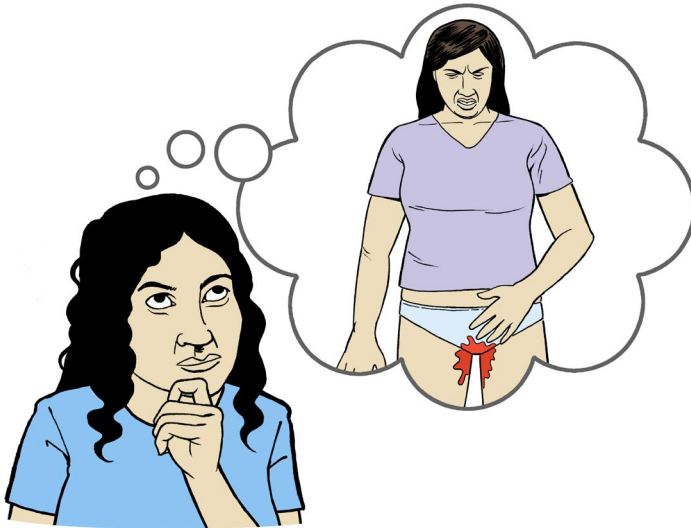




About this easy read booklet



This booklet is about symptoms of cervical cancer.



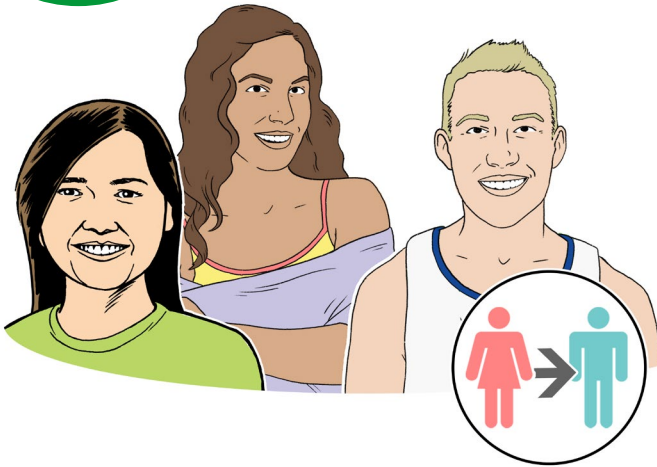
You can learn about symptoms that you should have checked straight away.



If you are worried about your health, you should talk to a doctor or nurse.



Symptoms of cervical cancer



People who can get cervical cancer are women, trans men and anyone **assigned female at birth**.



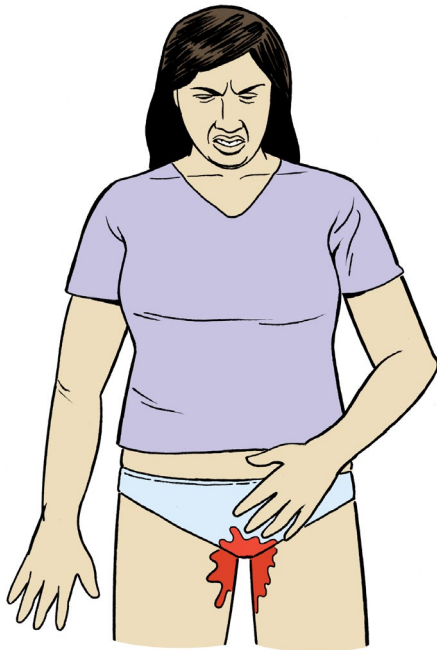
Assigned female at birth means that when you were born the doctor said you were female. But this may not be the same as your gender.



You need to go to your doctor as soon as you can if you have any of the following **symptoms**.

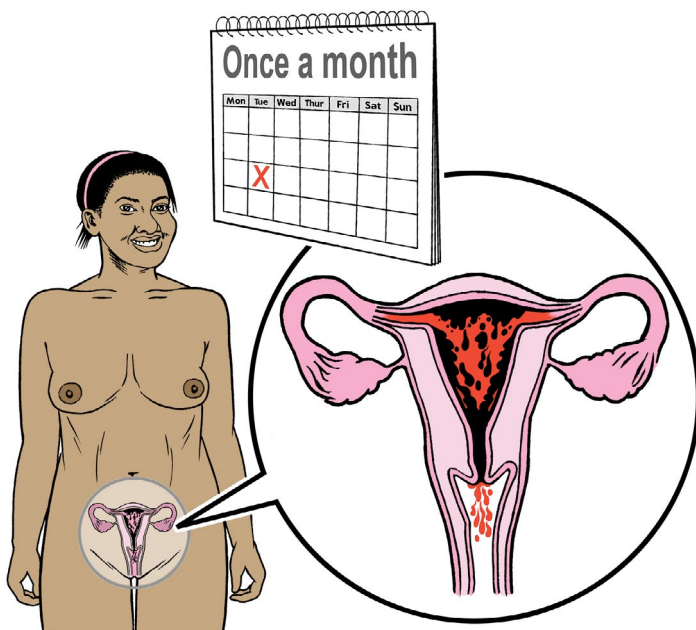


Symptoms are signs in your body that tell you something is wrong, like feeling tired all the time.



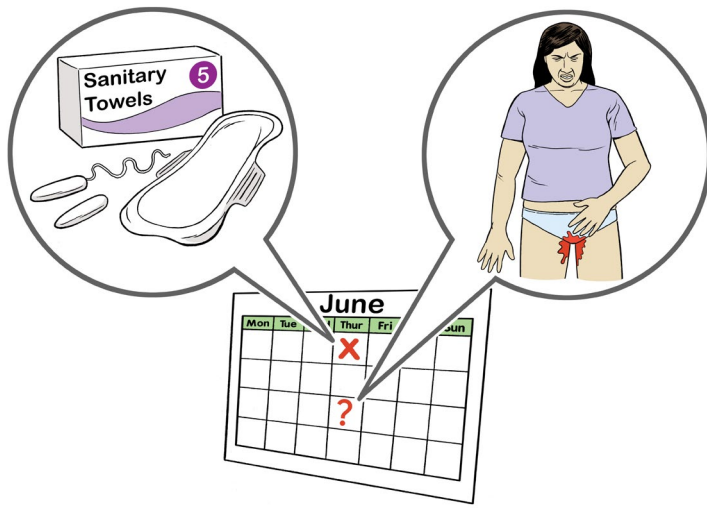
Tell your doctor:

- If you are bleeding a lot more than usual during your **periods**.

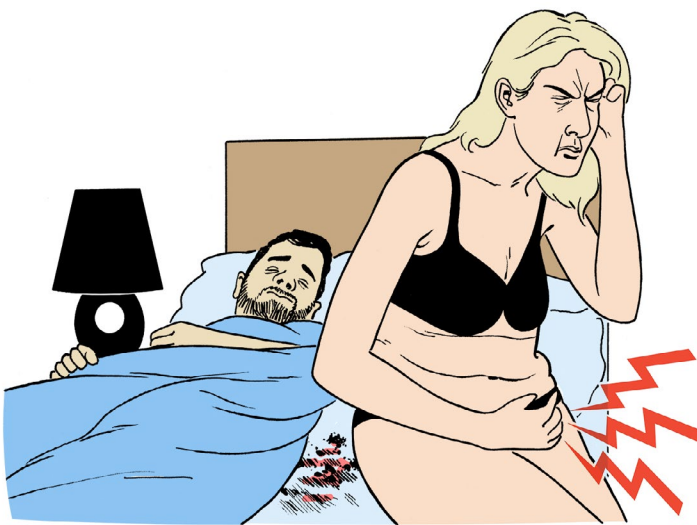


Your **period** is when you bleed from the **vagina** once a month.

The **vagina** is a passageway inside your body. It is part of the sexual organs. The entrance to the vagina is between your legs.



- If you are bleeding between your periods.



- If you are bleeding after sex.



- If you are bleeding from the vagina after you have had the **menopause**.

The **menopause** is the time in your life when your periods stop. It is usually between the ages of 45 and 55.



- If you have smelly **discharge** from the vagina.

A **discharge** is a liquid which comes out of your body. It can be thick or thin and can sometimes smell.



- If you have pain in the lower tummy or back.

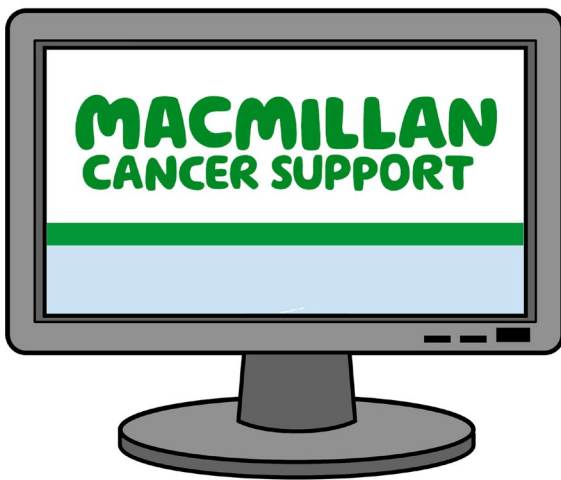


How Macmillan can help you

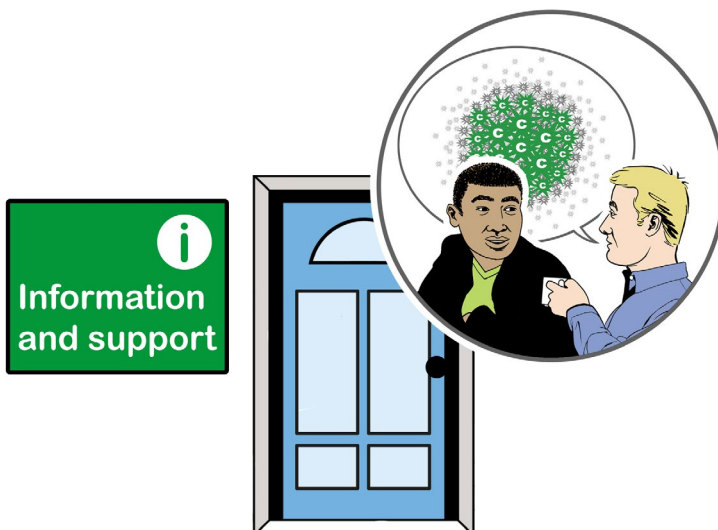


You can get support from:

- The Macmillan Support Line.
Call **0808 808 00 00** 7 days a week, 8am to 8pm.



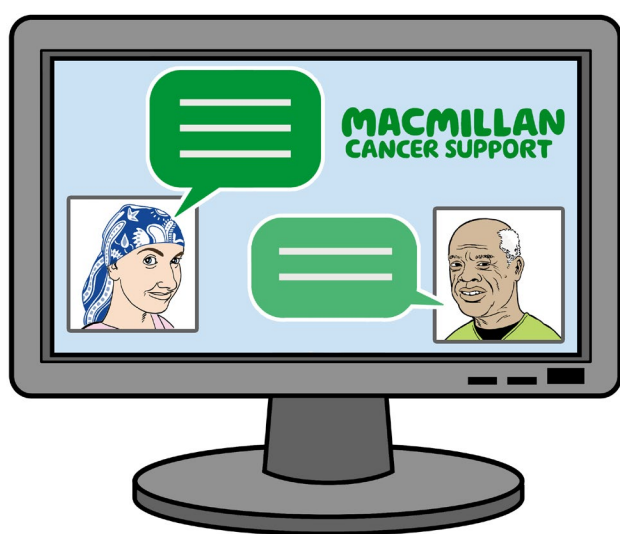
- The Macmillan website.
Visit **macmillan.org.uk** for information about cancer. You can also use our web chat to ask questions at **macmillan.org.uk/talktous**



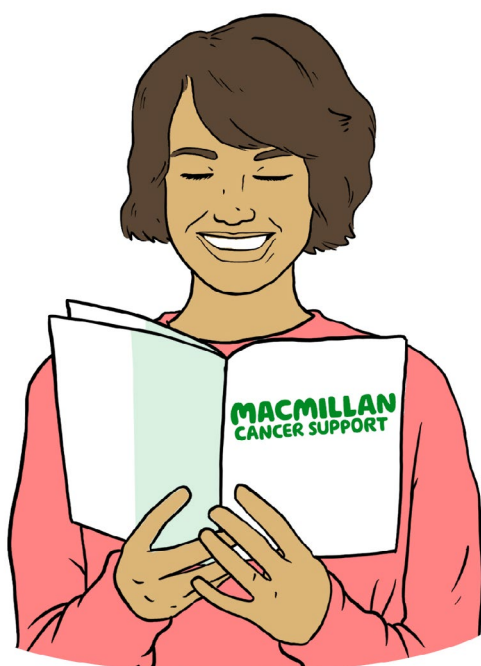
- Information centres. You can talk to a cancer support specialist and get written information. Find your nearest centre at **macmillan.org.uk/informationcentres** or call us.



- Local support groups. Find a group near you at [macmillan.org.uk/supportgroups](https://www.macmillan.org.uk/supportgroups) or call us.



- The Macmillan Online Community. You can talk to other people in similar situations at [macmillan.org.uk/community](https://www.macmillan.org.uk/community)



Macmillan can give you information in different ways:

Booklets about cancer

You can order booklets about cancer from be.macmillan.org.uk



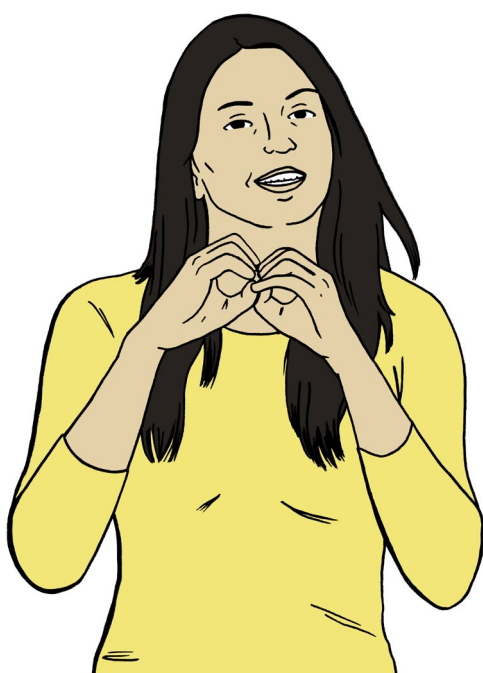
Videos

You can watch videos about cancer at macmillan.org.uk/videos



Audio

You can listen to information about cancer and order CDs from macmillan.org.uk/audio



British Sign Language (BSL)

You can watch information in BSL at macmillan.org.uk/bsl



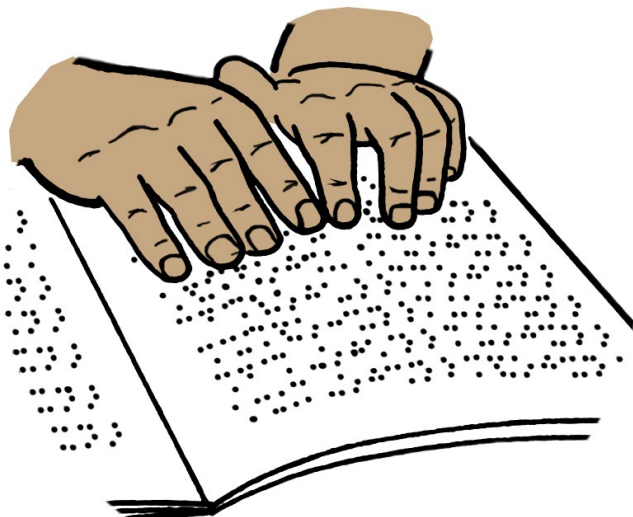
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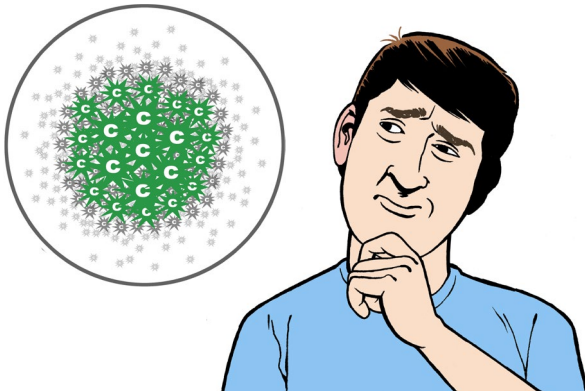
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There are booklets on lots of topics:



About Macmillan

- How Macmillan Cancer Support can help you



About cancer

- Lung cancer
- What is cancer?



Signs and symptoms

- Breast care for women
- Cervical screening
- How to check your balls (testicles)
- Screening for cancer
- Signs of cancer
- Symptoms of cervical cancer
- Symptoms of prostate cancer



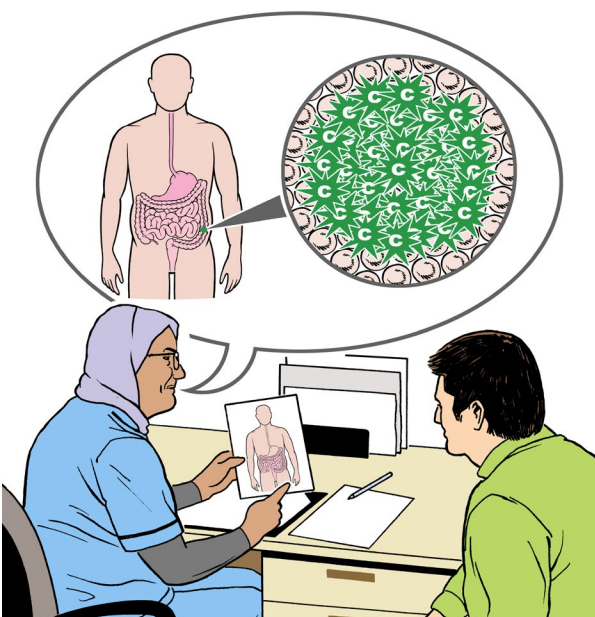
Living a healthy life

- Be safe in the sun
- Drink less alcohol
- Eat a healthy diet
- Exercise
- Have safer sex
- Stop smoking



Tests for cancer

- Having a biopsy
- Having a colonoscopy
- Having a CT scan
- Having an endoscopy
- Having examinations and blood tests
- Having an MRI scan
- Having an ultrasound
- Having an x-ray



Being told you have cancer

- Finding out you have cancer
- Getting your test results
- Seeing the doctor



Treatment for cancer

- Chemotherapy
- Giving your consent
- Having surgery
- Radiotherapy
- Side effects from chemotherapy
- Side effects from radiotherapy
- Treatments for prostate cancer

Living with cancer

- 7 steps to equal healthcare
- After treatment for cancer
- Cancer and coronavirus
- Claiming benefits when you have cancer
- Complementary therapies
- Help with costs when you have cancer
- Talking about cancer and your feelings
- Things that are important to me
- Work and cancer
- Your feelings and cancer
- Your sex life and cancer
- Your social life and cancer





End of life

- Changes that can happen at the end of life
- Choosing where to die
- Getting ready to die
- If you are dying from cancer
- Making decisions about the future if you are dying
- Spirituality and religion at the end of life
- The end of life
- Thinking about your funeral
- Who can help if you are dying



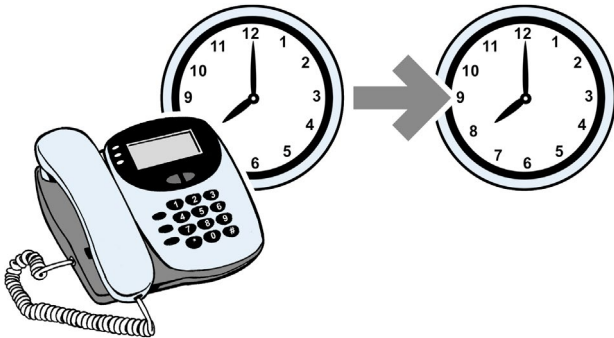
After someone dies

- Going to a funeral when someone dies
- Grief and loss when someone dies
- How you may feel when someone dies
- What can help you feel better when someone dies

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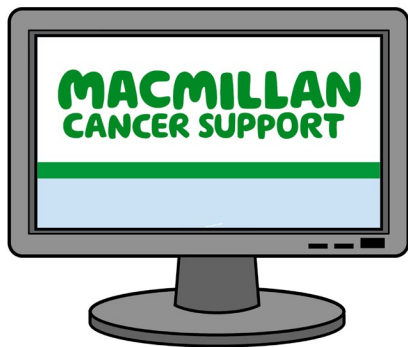
It is for anyone who finds easier words and pictures helpful. If you have more questions about cancer or would like to talk to us, call the Macmillan Support Line.



- Call us free on:
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- If you use a textphone, you can call:
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- Or go to the website
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