# **COVID-19 version**

#### Dear [NAME],

We have booked you a colposcopy appointment at [HOSPITAL NAME]. Colposcopy is where a doctor or nurse (called a colposcopist) will take a closer look at your cervix,

You should be receiving this letter after getting your cervical screening results, which will explain why this appointment has been booked. If you haven't had your results letter yet, you may want to contact your GP surgery and ask when you can expect to get them.

#### Your appointment details

Date: [THE DAY OF THE APPOINTMENT]

Time: [THE TIME OF THE APPOINTMENT]

Address: [THE HOSPITAL ADDRESS]

How to get here: [HOW TO FIND THE COLPOSCOPY DEPARTMENT]

If you are unable to attend at this time, please call us on [NUMBER] to rearrange.

#### **About colposcopy**

You have been invited to colposcopy because your cervical screening results have shown you have [had 3 HPV results in a row / HPV and cell changes].

At colposcopy, a colposcopist will take a closer, more detailed look at your cervix. They may do some tests, such as putting liquid on your cervix to show up any cell changes or taking a small piece of tissue (biopsy) from your cervix. The results from this will help us to understand whether you need treatment or to come back for future appointments to check your cervix.

[You can read more about colposcopy in the leaflet you received with this letter.]

There is more information about colposcopy on the Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust website – visit www.jostrust.org.uk/colposcopy or scan the QR code.



### **COVID-19 safety measures**

We have put safety measures in place to prevent you and those around you becoming ill with COVID-19 (coronavirus). These include: [SAFETY MEASURES FOR YOUR HOSPITAL eg staff in PPE / patients wearing face coverings]

## **Getting support**

We know that being invited for colposcopy may make you feel worried or leave you with a lot of questions. You can call the colposcopy department on [NUMBER] if you have questions before your appointment. Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust also have services that offer emotional support – call their Helpline on **0808 802 8000** or visit <a href="https://www.jostrust.org.uk/support">www.jostrust.org.uk/support</a>

Warmest wishes, Your colposcopy team