



## Attending a Cervivor School

Cervivor School is a life-changing and empowering opportunity for cervical cancer patients and survivors. Many women feel that becoming a Cervivor School graduate gives them both a voice and the motivation to become more of an active advocate on behalf of Cervivor.

Cervivor School isn't for everyone. Although it is a wonderful few days of meeting and connecting with other survivors, the focus of the school is to transition you from patient to advocate. Women who are ready to take their survivorship to the next level are the ideal candidates.

At Cervivor School, you will learn from HPV and cervical cancer experts. You will understand what messages are important to share, the science behind the vaccine and screening tests, how to live with side effects of treatment, how to make your survivorship count, and much more.

Cervivor Schools are held approximately 2 to 3 times per year in different locations throughout the U.S. and abroad. Women are encouraged to apply to our school as soon as we open the application process, as our schools do fill up.

## Facts About Cervical Cancer

- Cervical cancer is the 4th most common cancer in women worldwide.
- Each year, more than 604,000 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer, and more than 342,000 die from the disease worldwide (2022).
- In the U.S., more than 14,100 new cases of cervical cancer are diagnosed and more than 4,280 women die from the disease each year.
- Asian Americans have the lowest rates of cervical cancer collectively but if you look at their subgroups, they have a higher incidence rate of cervical cancer.
- Black women are more likely to die of cervical cancer than any other group.
- Latina/Hispanic women have one of the highest rates of cervical cancer and the second-highest rate of deaths related to cervical cancer.
- American Indian and Alaska Native women are nearly twice as likely to develop cervical cancer compared to white women and are four times as likely to die from cervical cancer.
- Cervical cancer is almost always preventable through routine screenings. Please check with your healthcare provider to stay up-to-date on the current guidelines.
- HPV, the cause of nearly all cervical cancers, can be prevented when girls and boys are vaccinated against the virus.



Our vision is a world **FREE** of cervical cancer.

Join us as we work together to protect all girls and women from this disease.

Visit [www.cervivor.org](http://www.cervivor.org) to learn more.

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**We are a global organization of patient advocates who are dedicated to closing the cervical cancer disparity gap.**



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Cervivor is a global community of patient advocates who inspire and empower those affected by cervical cancer by educating and motivating them to use their voices for creating awareness to end stigma, influence decision and change, and end cervical cancer.

No matter how much or to what extent you want to get involved, we believe that each of you can work with us to ensure that others do not suffer or die from cervical cancer.

Our mission is to eradicate cervical cancer. Like never before, this is an attainable goal. But we can't do it without you! If we all commit to this goal, we can save lives.



## Three easy ways for YOU to start working on our mission.

**1. Share your story on our Cervivor website.** Telling your story helps us as a community to eliminate stigma and shame around HPV and cervical cancer. We also can help women not feel so alone as they go through a diagnosis or treatment.



**2. Educate others on cervical cancer prevention.** Whether you talk to a small group in your community or educate people through social media, you can make a difference.



**3. Connect with other survivors.** Help bring them into our network, while you help us grow our community.

## We offer three levels of Cervivor Involvement.

- **Cancer patient or advocate:** Be a part of our Cervivor community by connecting with others, sharing your story, and making plans to attend a Cervivor School.
- **Cervivor School graduate:** Are you a cervical cancer patient or survivor? Attend a Cervivor School and become an advocate. As a graduate, you can educate others, write blog posts, build relationships with other Cervivor School graduates, and become an active voice and advocate on behalf of Cervivor.
- **Cervivor Ambassador:** A Cervivor School graduate can become an Ambassador by intentionally and consistently devoting time and energy to advocate for HPV and cervical cancer awareness on behalf of Cervivor. Cervivor Ambassadors commit time daily or weekly to advocacy and education.

They Also:

- Fundraise for Cervivor.
- Take part in various Cervivor events.
- Initiate partnerships and activities within their local communities.
- Represent Cervivor at local, national and international events.

