BPAC Patient Prompt – Cervical Screening Changes

The 'Cervical Smear' prompt in the BPAC patient prompt has been updated to incorporate HPV (human papillomavirus) tests. To that end the algorithms and prompts presented have been overhauled. Notably, the word 'smear' will no longer be presented.

Changes/enhancements:

The prompt will prompt the clinician to consider immune deficiency for each scenario

- 3 years after negative cytology, the prompt will present 'Cervical screening overdue' or if a recall is set, 'Cervical screening due in x days' (or weeks, months). Although the guideline is to arrange an HPV test, the instruction will only be 'Recall as per recommendation' i.e. the clinician makes the decision, not the patient prompt programme.
- The same prompts will appear 5 years after 'HPV not detected'.
- There will be appropriate prompts if the patient has never been screened, the screening outcome is not normal (negative, not detected), no screening outcome has been selected, the screening outcome is not recognised by the prompt, the screening outcome is 'Exempt',
- There will be prompts to enable the clinician to determine if the patient can exit cervical screening (65 to 69, 70- to 74-year-olds).
- Many of the prompts will present:
  - Checkbox for 'Does not require cervical screening' (previously labelled as 'Update Coding') which after ticking presents options that will write classifications to the Medtech PMS.
  - Checkbox for 'Screening no longer required' – ticking the box will write the classification 'Ca cervix screen – not needed (6855.00)' to the Medtech PMS.
- The prompt will not be presented:
  - Indefinitely because of specific classifications e.g. 'cervix screen – not needed'
  - Temporarily because of specific classifications or the latest screening outcome e.g. 'not sexually active'