



## **ECCO 2019 European Cancer Summit - Resolution on HPV - SUMMIT DRAFT**

For the ECCO 2019 European Cancer Summit, ECCO's Oncopolicy Committee identified the elimination of HPV related cancers and diseases as a timely and important topic upon which unified objectives by the cancer community could be expressed.

Developed together with several ECCO member societies and a large network of interested organisations and experts, and including a public consultation period, the **Summit version of resolution on HPV elimination** is now published (11 September 2019).

### **By 2030, effective strategies to eliminate cancers caused by HPV as a public health problem should be implemented in all European countries**

**In respect to effective strategies**, the ECCO 2019 European Cancer Summit resolution on HPV supports the proposed World Health Organisation (WHO) 90-70-90 targets on HPV vaccination, and cervical cancer screening and treatment as **minimal** targets. Such targets should be accompanied by gender neutral (universal) vaccination. See the associated action plan to this resolution for further recommendations on effective strategies for eliminating cancers caused by HPV as a public health problem.

More information about the proposed WHO 90-70-90 targets [here](#)

More information on gender neutral (universal) vaccination [here](#)

**In respect to elimination of cancers caused by HPV as a public health problem**, this resolution refers to the World Health Organisation (WHO) definition of elimination of a public health problem. Elimination as a public health problem relates to the achievement of clear and commonly agreed targets and definitions. The WHO Draft Global Strategy Towards the Elimination of Cervical Cancer as a Public Health Problem established that cervical cancer should no longer be considered a public health problem **when the age-adjusted incidence rate is less than 4 per 100,000** women-years. The Draft Strategy goes on to state "*while the incidence cannot be reduced to zero with the current interventions, the elimination threshold is achievable within the 21<sup>st</sup> century in every country*". More here: <https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/documents/cervical-cancer-elimination-draft-strategy.pdf>

**In respect to cancers caused by HPV**, this resolution refers to the informational factsheet of the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 'HPV and Cancer', section 'Cancers Caused by HPV Infection'. More information here: <https://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/causes-prevention/risk/infectious-agents/hpv-and-cancer>

**In respect to all European countries**, this resolution refers to the 53 countries of the WHO European Region. More information here: <http://www.euro.who.int/en/countries>