Gynecologic cancer is any cancer that starts in a woman’s reproductive organs affecting different places within a woman’s pelvis.

The types of gynecologic cancers include cervical, ovarian, uterine, vaginal, and vulvar cancers. All women are at risk for gynecologic cancers, and risk increases with age.

When gynecologic cancers are found early, treatment can be most effective.
You can help lower your risk of getting gynecologic cancers by:

- Paying attention to your body and abnormal gynecologic symptoms.
- Maintaining healthy lifestyle habits.
- Knowing your family health history.
- Getting regular Pap tests.
- Getting tested for HPV and the HPV vaccine as recommended.

**Recognize these symptoms of gynecologic cancers:**

- Abnormal vaginal bleeding or discharge.
- Feeling full too quickly, bloating, or abdominal or back pain.
- Pelvic pain or pressure.
- More frequent/urgent need to urinate and/or constipation.
- Changes in vulva color/skin, itching, burning, pain, sores, or warts.

If you have any of these symptoms see a health care provider. For more information, please call 1-866-783-2645 or visit www.cdc.gov/cancer/gynecologic/