

**Testimony provided to the Health and Human Services Committee
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Presented by Jan Lyle, RN March 10, 2004

Members of the Committee:

I appreciate this opportunity to relate my personal experience with cervical cancer.

I am a cervical cancer survivor of 15 years.

In 1989, at the age of 44, I had a Pap test with abnormal results.

It had been 10 years since my previous Pap test. I am a registered nurse and knew better, but I was healthy, busy working and raising a family and did not take the time to go in for an annual test.

Subsequent diagnostic tests determined that I had cervical carcinoma in situ, which is a pre-cancerous cervical condition. Because the abnormal cells were advanced I was treated with a hysterectomy.

I now follow up each year with a Pap test and have had no further problems.

Thank you again for this opportunity.