

Review of: "Review: Human papillomavirus (HPV)"

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this manuscript.

The details of the language used in this manuscript need to be addressed. For example, numerous times in the article it refers to men and women with their vaginal area, mouth and throat. Men do not have a vaginal area. Genital cancers in women include: cervix, vaginal and vulva. It is incorrect to say cervix and genital cancers you either say genital cancers or you say cervix, vagina and vulva cancer.

Need to provide an objective for why this article is being written.

Abstract - "several HPVS" is incorrect. You need to say "several HPV types".

Etiology - need to explain "ds".

Benign warts DO NOT affect the uterus. They do affect the cervix

Para 2 of Etiology is not helpful.

Through-out the document the sentence structure needs to be addressed. Also check capitals within a sentence. These usually should be low case.

Life cycle - use of microtrauma is repetitive

Transmission - Line 1 - I believe you wish to say "the most common STD" vs "majority STD".

Type of infection caused by HPV - cancer and dyslasia is not an infection. Need to reword. In this section discussion about high grade precancerous lesions is needed.

Guys is a slang word. Better to use the word "men".

Last sentence of #2 is repeated in #3. Would remove from #2.

Cervical cancer - your numbers change from the beginning to the end of the paragraph for the same thought. Use one reference and don't repeat a thought especially in the same paragraph.

The section titled "warts" is not accurate and needs to be rewritten. Most common genital warts are from HPV 6 and 11 which aren't even mentioned.

This section completely leaves out vulvar cancers of which 50% are HPV HR related.

Epidemiology - best not to start a sentence with words like “because”. Last paragraph would be better written with numbers from one study rather than mixing different studies.

Prevention - there is no mention of the strategy of one dose which is pivotal for low resource settings.