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### What is a LEEP?

- A treatment to remove abnormal cells from the cervix
- Your doctor uses a wire loop current to remove tissue
- The tissue is sent to the laboratory for testing
- The treatment will not have any effect on your ability to get pregnant

### What should I do after the procedure?

- You will have some cramps
- You can take Tylenol and Ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil)
- Be sure to follow the instructions on the medicine bottles
- You will have a small amount of bleeding from the vagina
- This can last up to two weeks

### For 4 weeks:

Do not have sexual intercourse Do not use tampons Do not douche Do not go swimming or into hot tubs
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### Do I need to come back for a follow-up?

- You will need to come back for a pap test
- Someone will phone you to arrange an appointment
- You have a risk of having pre-cancerous changes
- Your doctor wants you to have regular exams and pap tests

### **Phone your doctor if:**

- You still have spotting 14 days after your treatment
- You have a fever more than 38°C (100.4°C)
- Your vaginal discharge smells bad
- You have pain and pain medicine does not help
- You have bleeding that is heavier than your normal period
  - Lie down and insert a tampon
  - Leave the tampon in place for 3 hours to apply pressure
  - If the bleeding does not stop call your doctor
  - Remove the tampon

### **Questions or Concerns:**

Health Link BC: 811  
(604) 215-2400  
Hearing Impaired: 1 866 889-4700  
Or, contact your physician

**In an Emergency:** Call 911 or go to the hospital emergency room