



Introduction

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Lived experience

**Promoting breast, chest,
cervical screening and self
examination to lesbian,
bisexual and transgender
people.**



Why?



Lower screening attendance in L,B,T communities.

80% of heterosexual women over 40 would see a doctor within 1 week of finding a lump, compared to 75% of lesbian and 68% of bisexual people. (Stonewall)

14% of lesbian and bisexual people and 37% of trans people, have avoided accessing healthcare services due to fear of discrimination. (Stonewall)

Lesbian, bisexual, trans and non-binary AFAB people are significantly less likely to attend routine cervical screenings. (Macmillan and Cancer Research UK)

15% of lesbian and bisexual AFAB people over 25 and 43% of AFAB trans and non-binary people have never had a cervical screening compared to 7% of cis/het women over 25. (Gov, Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust)

<https://phescreening.blog.gov.uk/2019/03/15/addressing-inequalities-in-lgbt-cancer-screening-coverage/>

<https://www.lgbthero.org.uk/cervical-and-breast-screenings-for-queer-people>

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[Attitudes to cervical screening in trans men and non-binary people - Health Research Authority](#)

Some barriers

Being assumed heterosexual

Being outed or having to come out

Prejudice and discrimination – perceived & experienced

Stigma and internalised homophobia/biphobia/transphobia

Gender dysphoria

Deadnaming

Being misgendered

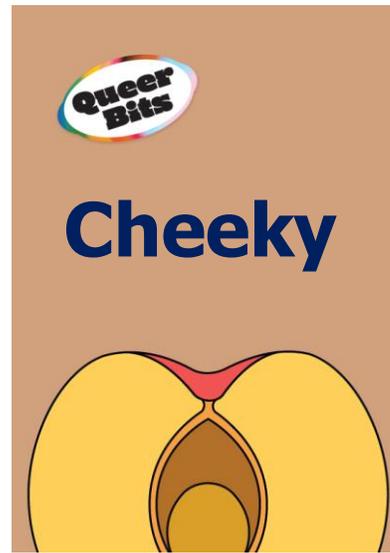
Gender markers on medical records

A lack of knowledge around self examination

Myths & misinformation



The Concept



Queer Bits

Hey, how are you?

All is well with me - I know for certain as I finally had both **breast** and **cervical** screenings.

It was simple, easy, staff were lovely and now feel in control of my health. Worth looking into it...

Take care of yourself x

the brunswick centre



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Scan the QR code to find out more on breast and cervical screening options.

Find out more: thebrunswickcentre.org.uk/queer-bits



Informal

Speak to communities

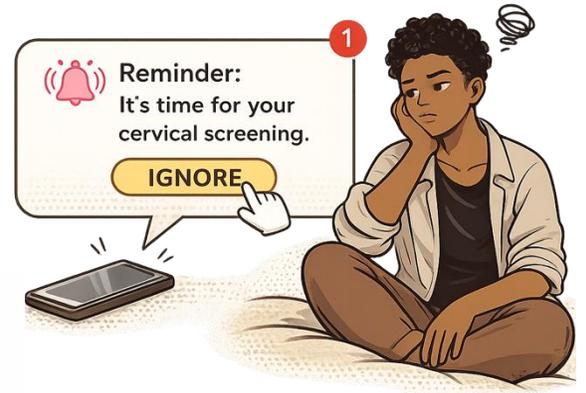
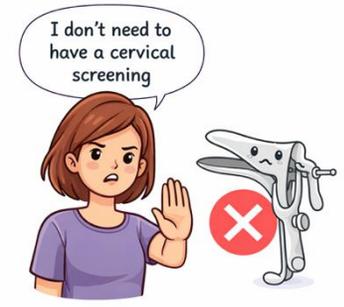


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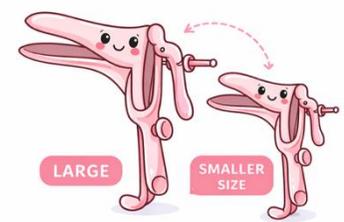
People engaged

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Disclosed lumps/missed screenings



You can request a smaller speculum





Vision for Queer Bits going forward

Expand the campaign to include:-



testicular cancer



prostate cancer



anal cancer awareness

Thank you!

Check your bits!

Introduction of a silicone peck, testicles, anus and prostate with more diverse representation.

Promoting self examination for those under screening age.

