

Cervical Cancer Screening Among Asian Canadian Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Women

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Objectives: To examine whether Pap smear screening and determinants of screening for Asian immigrants are different from those for nonimmigrants in Canada. **Methods:** Data from the Canadian Community Health Survey Cycle 2.1 (2003) were used. Explanatory and multivariate logistic regression analyses were performed to compare rates and determinants of Pap smear screening between Asian immigrants and nonimmigrants. **Results:** In this

study, 64,604 women were included. Asian immigrants had significantly lower rates of Pap smear screening (52%) compared to nonimmigrants (72%). Lack of necessity and time are important barriers. **Conclusion:** Pap smear screening should be promoted, particularly in recent Asian immigrants.

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