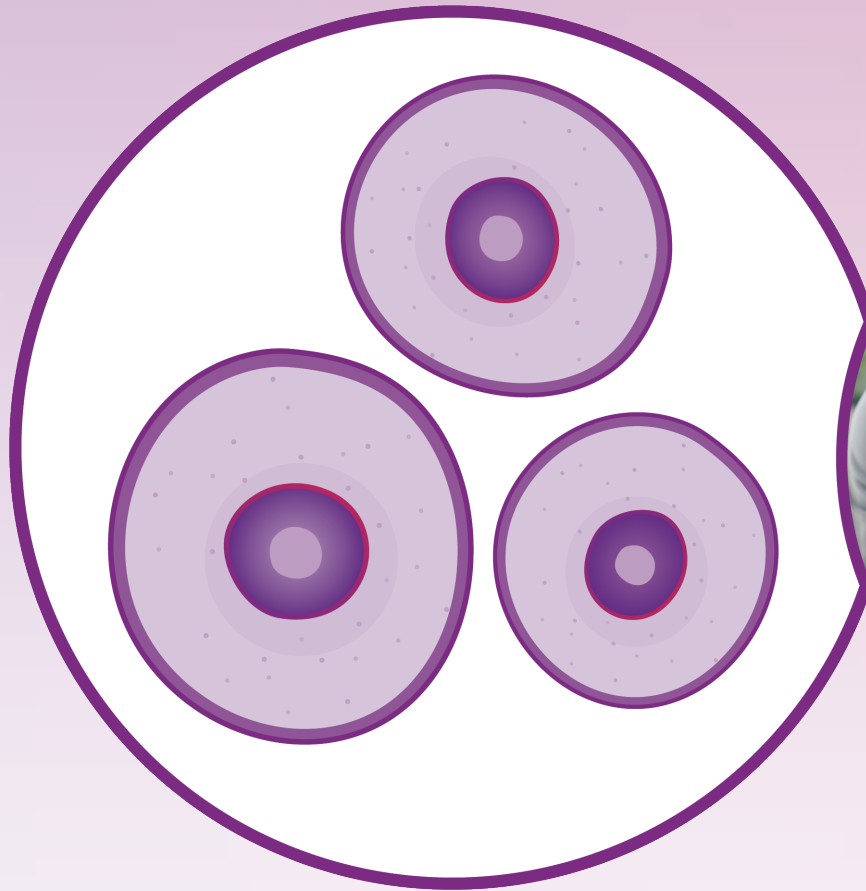
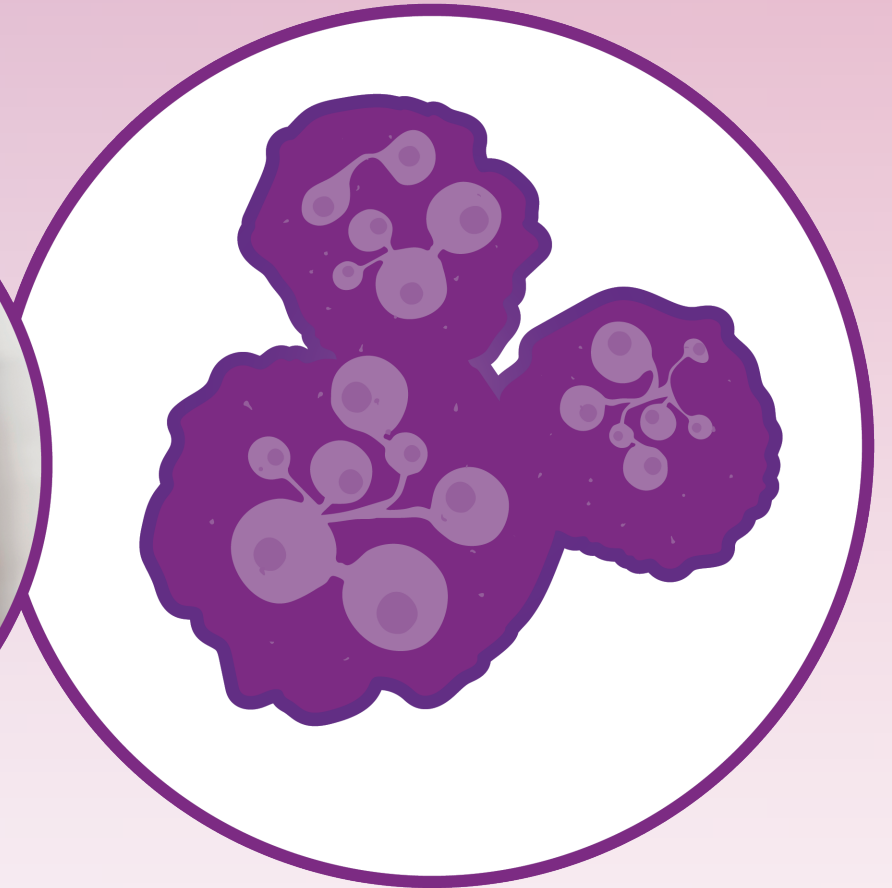


What is Cancer?



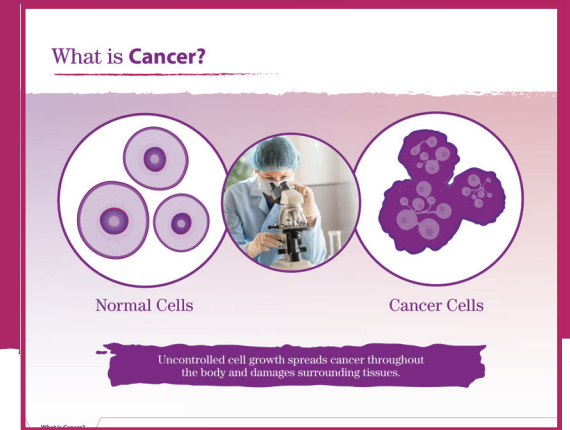
Normal Cells



Cancer Cells

Uncontrolled cell growth spreads cancer throughout the body and damages surrounding tissues.

What is Cancer?



Cancer is a disease that starts in our cells.

Cancer happens when cells grow differently from normal cells and at a faster speed.

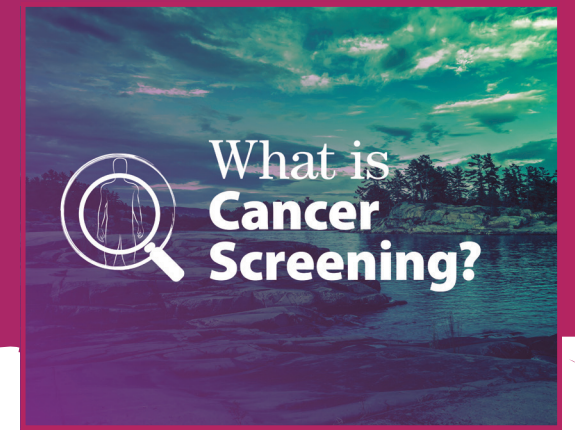
Cancer is diagnosed in a lab, where cells are examined under a microscope to determine whether they are normal or abnormal.





What is **Cancer** **Screening?**

What is Cancer Screening?



The goal of cancer screening is to find the cancer early or to detect pre-cancer before you have symptoms and before it has a chance to grow.

When cancer is found early, it may be easier to treat and treatment is more effective.

It is important to talk to your health care provider about cancer screening.

Getting screened regularly can lead to healthier lives for you, your family, and your community.

Medical transportation benefits may be provided by Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB) for clients who are travelling to participate in cancer screening programs done outside of the community.

There are currently 4 Provincial Screening Programs in Ontario:

Ontario Cervical Screening Program (OCSP)

Ontario Breast Screening Program (OBSP)

ColonCancerCheck (CCC)

Ontario Lung Screening Program (OLSP)

Organized screening programs may find cancer earlier, leading to better health outcomes.

Screening is for people who do not have any cancer symptoms.
