## Sunday Morning

## Health Corner

## Cervical Cancer



- Each year, an estimated 12,000 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer, and about one-third of those will die as a result of the cancer.
- The human papillomavirus (HPV) is common among women and is the main cause of cervical cancer.
- It's estimated that at least 75 percent of the reproductive-age population has been infected with one or more types of genital HPV.
- About 79 million Americans currently have HPV. Many people with HPV don't know they are infected.
- African-American women develop cervical cancer more often than white women and are more than twice as likely to die from it.

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