

I chose the theme of my diploma thesis, prevention of cervical cancer not based on my long-term interest in this subject, but after my clinical practise during 5th year of medicine. I was fortunate enough to be accepted to do parts of my practical training in a hospital in Molde, Norway. My consultant there was an experienced gynaecologist that thought me as much as possible in few weeks. In particular he thought me about cervical cancer and ways how it is possible to prevent it. I also saw many patients affected by the cancer and took part in prevention of some that might suffer from the cancer if they would not get this treatment.

To see the outcome without sufficient prevention was sad, but also very inspiring, it was an excellent method of learning how important prevention can be and that the best way how to treat disease is in fact to find ways how to prevent it. Cervical cancer and its prevention programme is an excellent example of how medicine has succeeded and I hope that reading this diploma work will help the reader understand the degree of its value.