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Dr Bhatla is Professor in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India, with a special interest in gynecologic oncology and preventive oncology. Over the last two decades, she has undertaken numerous research projects in India on cervical cancer prevention, including screening in low resource situations, human papillomavirus (HPV) epidemiology, trials on affordable HPV tests and HPV vaccine, and new strategies for the elimination of cervical cancer. She has worked in collaboration with

World Health Organization's International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, University of Michigan, Arizona State University and Duke University, USA, and has been the recipient of a UICC ICRET Fellowship. As Chairperson of the Gynecologic Oncology Committee of the Federation of Obstetrics & Gynecological Societies of India (FOGSI), she was instrumental in bringing out resource-based guidelines for cervical cancer screening and management, and HPV vaccination.

Professor Bhatla was Chairperson of the FIGO Committee for Gynecologic Oncology (2015-18) and is currently part of the Committee as Past Chair (2018-21). During her tenure, the Committee worked with the IAEA to bring out the FIGO Gyn Cancer Management App, which is a very well-regarded resource-based guidance for practitioners.