

# Uterine gate

The **cervix** has a double meaning. It is either a "closed throat" during childbirth (= birth gate), or an "internal and external gate" closing the cervical canal from both sides until the throat begins to open for childbirth.

## Inner goal

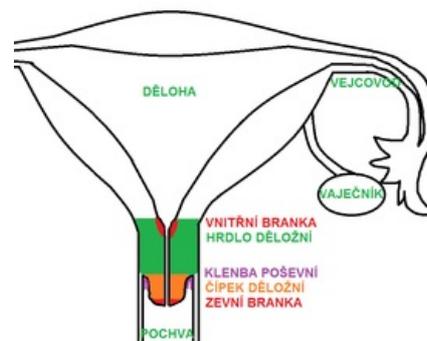
The internal gate delimits the entrance to the cervical canal from the uterus.

## Outer goal

The external gate limits the exit from the cervical canal towards the vagina.

## Sore throat

During childbirth, the cervix gradually disappears. The inner gate merges with the outer gate into one gate (= obstetric gate), which then opens and allows the baby to enter the pelvic entrance.



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