



FAST FACTS

A message for health care providers



Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) Vaccination

Why Vaccinate with HPV?

- 12,000 US women are diagnosed with cervical cancer each year.
- 4,000 US women die of cervical cancer each year.
- 6 million Americans become infected with HPV each year.

CDC Vaccination Recommendations

Females

- 3 dose series at ages 11 or 12 years
- All females ages 11 through age 26 years, who have not already received all three doses.

Males

- 3 dose series at ages 11 or 12 years
- All males ages 11 through age 21 years, who have not already received all three doses.
- Any man who has sex with men and men with compromised immune systems (including HIV) through age 26, if they are not fully vaccinated.

Recommended strategies to increase vaccination rates in your practice:

- **Reinforce** HPV is a ROUTINE vaccine offered to ALL 11-26 year old female and 11-21 year old male patients; Vaccinating before a child becomes sexually active is best in order to protect before possible exposure.
- **Strongly recommend** this vaccine - you have an enormous impact on parents' decision to vaccinate.
- Create **standard operating procedures** to check the vaccination status of your patients at every visit, including visits for acute care and sport physicals.
- **Program electronic medical records** to post a reminder for vaccinations.
- **Administer** all recommended vaccines during a visit.
- Find out how many adolescents are in your practice and how many of those have been immunized. Use this information to help improve vaccine delivery. For help with this contact the **ECDOH Immunization Action Plan at (716) 961-6839**.
- **Implement policies** so patients can receive vaccines without a physician exam or individual physician order.
- If a parent declines a vaccine, ask why and document it in the chart, which can reinforce **offering again** at follow-up visits.
- For patients who start the HPV series, **schedule the next two doses** before the patient leaves the office.
- **Send reminder/recall notices to parents.**
- **Utilize NYSIIS** to capture ALL immunizations given to children under 19 years of age in your practice.

Resources

- CDC HPV Vaccine Info 800-CDC-INFO www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/Vaccines/HPV/Index.html
- ECDOH Immunization Program 716-961-6839 www.erie.gov/health/services/immunization.asp
- Immunization schedules www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/default.htm
- NYSDOH Immunization Program 716-847-4385 www.nyhealth.gov/prevention/immunization
- NYSIIS www.health.state.ny.us/prevention/immunization/information_system
- Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS) www.vaers.hhs.gov
- Vaccine for Children (VFC) Program www.nyhealth.gov/prevention/immunization/vaccines_for_children.htm
- Vaccine Information Statements www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/default.htm
- Vaccine Refusal Form <http://practice.aap.org/content.aspx?aid=2681&nodeID=4035>

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Website: <http://crcpd.org/Radon/Region2/>