

What to know about HPV Immunizations

Human Papillomavirus (HPV) is a common sexually transmitted infection. Your child doesn't have to have sex to catch HPV, but it does increase their risk. While most HPV infections aren't harmful, some kinds can lead to genital warts or certain types of cancer. Getting your child vaccinated at the right time is the best prevention.

WHY IS HPV VACCINATION IMPORTANT?

- 33,700 cases of cancer could be prevented with HPV vaccination each year.
- Having the vaccine prior to becoming sexually active means a greater chance of avoiding HPV infections that lead to cancer later in life.

AT WHAT AGE IS HPV VACCINATION RECOMMENDED?

- It is recommended for people ages 9–26.
- Ideally, girls and boys should receive their first dose around age 11 or 12, but it is still proven effective in teens and young adults.

Early protection works best

Talk to your child's health care provider about HPV immunization today.

Age at First Dose	Dose #2	Dose #3
9 years until 15th birthday	6–12 months after dose #1	Not needed
15 years or older	1–2 months after dose #1	Approximately 4 months after dose #2

85%

of people will get an HPV infection in their lifetime.

Learn more

For additional guidance on the HPV vaccine, visit The Center for Disease Control (CDC) website by scanning the QR code.





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<https://www.cdc.gov/hpv/parents/index.html>.

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