HPV Vaccine Facts
for boys and girls

Every year 26,800 women and men in the U.S. develop HPV-related cancer.

90% of genital warts, 74% of all HPV cancers, and 81% of cervical cancers are prevented by the vaccine.

The newest HPV vaccine protects against 9 HPV types and 6 kinds of cancer.

In the U.S., 79 million are currently infected with HPV. Half of all new infections are in boys and girls aged 15-24.

Up to 80% of sexually active individuals have had HPV. Safer sex practices like condoms and monogamy do not fully protect against HPV.

11-12 years is the optimal age for the vaccine because antibody production is highest, and it should be given long before any sexual contact to be most protective.

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