# Why Teenagers Need HPV Vaccination

#### What is HPV?

HPV (human papillomavirus) is a sexual transmitted disease, typically spread through skin-to-skin contact. Depending on the type of HPV, it is possible for it to go away without health problems. If not, it may cause warts or even certain cancers. Fortunately, there are vaccines that can prevent people from HPV-related cancer.

#### HPV is associated with certain cancers!

- Cervical cancer, vaginal and vulvar cancers in women
- Penile cancers in men
- Anal, throat and oropharyngeal cancer in both women and men

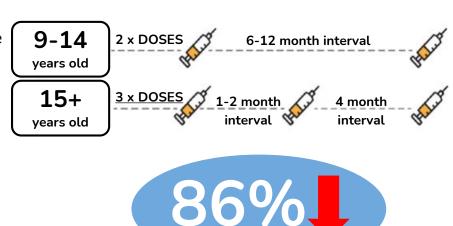
HPV vaccination prevents over 90% of HPV cancers

#### How common is it?

In the U.S, about 12,000 women get cervical cancer every year, and about 4,000 women die from it. About 14 million Americans, including teens, get infected every year.

#### What should I do?

Protect your kids! CDC recommends routine vaccination for those of age 11 and 12. It is also possible to get vaccination for those from the ages of 9 to 26. Those who are 9 to 14 years old require two doses of the vaccine, while those 15 and older require three doses. Please contact your doctor for more information about HPV infection.



## Knowledge about HPV Vaccine

CDC data shows HPV infections that cause most cancers and genital warts have dropped 86% among teen girls since the vaccine has been in use.

## Risk of vaccine response

Side effects can occur with any medication, including vaccines. Most of the side effects are usually mild and can resolve on their own. Please consult your doctor for details.

# Consult with a pediatrician for HPV vaccination!



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