HPV VACCINE: Long-Lasting Cancer Protection

Vaccination prevents over 90% of cancers caused by HPV



HPV stands for human papillomavirus.



HPV is so common that nearly everyone gets it at some point.



It can be passed with no signs or symptoms.



It dramatically increases the risk of serious cancer, in both men and women.¹

In Washington

68%

of teens completed their HPV vaccination series in 2021.



of teens got one dose of HPV vaccine in 2021.2 Most common cancers caused by HPV³

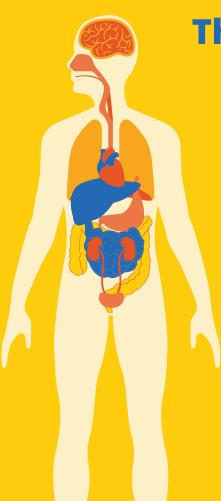


new cases of cervical cancer are found each year.



new cases of oropharyngeal* cancer are found each year.

*Oropharyngeal cancer is in the back of the throat, including the tonsils and base of the tongue.



The HPV vaccine offers future cancer protection for everyone.

Preventable Cancers Caused by HPV:

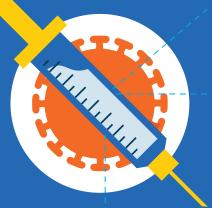
- OROPHARYNGEAL
- CERVICAL
- VAGINAL
- VULVAR
- PENILE
- ANAL*

*Anal cancer also includes cancer of the rectum

Earlier Vaccination is Better.



Two doses of HPV vaccine are recommended for children starting at age 9.





When given earlier, HPV vaccine has a better immune response.



Teens and adults (15-45) can still receive vaccination, but will require **three doses.**^{5,6}

Consult your health care provider for more information.

To learn more about the HPV vaccine and other immunization services in Washington, visit www.doh.wa.gov/hpv.

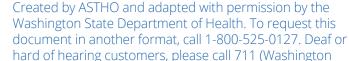
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