

QUARTERLY IMMUNIZATION UPDATE



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What is HPV?

HPV, OR HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS, IS A COMMON VIRUS THAT CAN LEAD TO 6 TYPES OF CANCERS. YOU CAN PROTECT YOUR CHILD FROM EVER DEVELOPING THESE CANCERS WITH THE HPV VACCINE BEGINNING AT AGES 11-12.

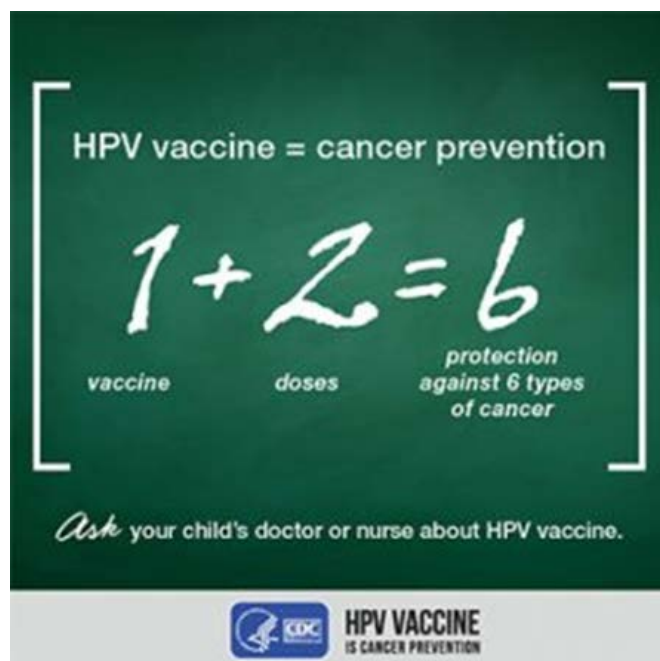
HPV

Children who get the first dose before their 15th birthday only need two doses. Children who get the first dose on or after their 15th birthday need three doses.

No Insurance?

WCDHD provides vaccines at no cost to the patient through the Adult Immunization Program (AIP) and Vaccines for Children Program (VFC)

**Call WCDHD at 308-221-6839
to schedule an appointment!**



HPV vaccination is cancer prevention.



HPV causes over 33,700 cases of cancer in men and women every year in the U.S. HPV vaccination **can prevent 31,200** of these cancers from ever developing by preventing the infections that cause those cancers. That's the same as the **average attendance** for a baseball game.

The American Cancer Society's recommendations for HPV vaccine use



- Routine HPV vaccination for all **girls** and **boys** should be started at age 11 or 12.
 - The vaccine work best at this age. Research shows younger people have a better immune response to the vaccine than those in their late teens and early 20s. The vaccines will help prevent the covered types of HPV only if they are given before exposure to the virus.

With over **100 million** doses distributed in the United States, HPV vaccine has a reassuring safety record that's backed by over **10** years of monitoring and research by healthcare professionals and the FDA. HPV vaccination provides safe, effective, and long-lasting protection.



RESOURCES:

<https://www.cdc.gov/hpv>

<https://www.cancer.org>