

What Moms need to know about HPV

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the facts about
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and deciding if
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What is HPV?

Human Papillomavirus (HPV) is a common virus that affects both females and males. Certain types of HPV can cause genital warts and cancers.

Are my kids at risk for genital HPV?

Anyone who has *any kind* of sexual activity with genital contact may be exposed to HPV.

What are the HPV Vaccines?

The vaccines are a three-shot series to protect against diseases caused by many types of HPV. The vaccines can prevent both short-term and long-term diseases caused by HPV.

Is the vaccine safe and effective?

Yes. The vaccine is for girls and women aged 9 – 26 years. The vaccine works best if given before your child has any sexual contact.

What can I do?

Talk to your child's healthcare provider to find out if now is the time for your child to be vaccinated against HPV.



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