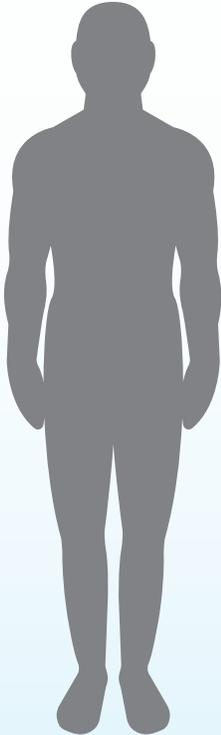


WHY YOUR DOCTOR SAYS YOU SHOULD GET ALL

3 HPV VACCINE DOSES FOR BOYS AND YOUNG MEN

HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS



HPV IS A VERY COMMON VIRUS THAT CAN LEAD TO:

CANCERS OF THE MOUTH AND THROAT

CANCER OF THE GENITAL AREA

GENITAL WARTS

THE HPV VACCINE MAY PREVENT THESE!

Do I really need HPV Vaccine? **YES!**

- Your doctor says you should get the HPV vaccine because it may prevent certain types of cancer and genital warts.
- You need all three doses to be fully protected.

Is HPV vaccine recommended for ALL boys and young men? **YES!**

- HPV vaccine is recommended for all males 11-12 years of age.
- HPV vaccine is approved for all males 9-21 years of age.

Why get the vaccine at age 11-12 years?

- Boys should have the HPV vaccine before they encounter the virus. Most boys come into contact with the virus in their teens.
- Boys should also get the Tdap and meningococcal vaccines at 11-12 years of age.

Is the HPV vaccine safe? **YES!**

- Millions of doses of HPV have been given to males and females.
- Vaccine safety is continually monitored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

Note: The HPV vaccine only protects against HPV types found in the vaccine.

When should I get the HPV vaccine to prevent cancer?

Have your doctor's office staff complete the chart.

Vaccine	Recommended	When	Where (e.g., clinic)
#1	Best at ages 11-12 but can be given to those 9-21 years old		
#2	One to two months after vaccine #1		
#3	At least six months after vaccine #1		

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