HPV: WHY IT’S TIME TO VACCINATE

Human papillomavirus (HPV) causes about 31,500 cancer cases each year. So why are America’s adolescents still not receiving this vaccine?

**HPV VACCINATION RATE**

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**VARIES UP TO 57% ACROSS THE COUNTRY**

**GIRLS OUTPACED BOYS BUT, BOYS ARE CATCHING UP QUICKLY!**

Girls are 60% more at risk than boys for HPV related cancers.

Girls: 37%
Boys: 32%

**HERE’S WHAT PARENTS SAY ABOUT THE HPV VACCINE...**

- 52% DO NOT INTEND TO VACCINATE
- **AND THE TOP REASONS ARE**
  1. CONCERN FOR ADVERSE SIDE EFFECTS: 60%
  2. FEEL THEIR CHILD IS NOT AT RISK: 24%
  3. DON’T HAVE ENOUGH INFO: 12%
  4. OTHER CONCERN: 4%

**WHAT PARENTS DON’T KNOW ABOUT THE HPV VACCINE**

- Number of Doses: 54%
- Age to Start: 54%
- Age to Complete: 64%

**PARENTS WANT INFORMATION**

57% want doctors to give them information on vaccination schedules.

**GET VACCINATED!**

**THE HPV VACCINE IS SAFE & EFFECTIVE:**

More than 200 million doses of the HPV vaccine have been administered worldwide. Side effects are rare and mild, but include pain, redness or swelling in the arm where the vaccine was given.

**PARENTS:**

Talk to your child’s doctor to learn more about the HPV vaccine and other suggested vaccinations.

**PREVENT CANCER:**

The HPV vaccine is available for all boys and girls starting at age 11 or 12. This vaccine can eliminate cervical cancer within a generation and dramatically reduce the risk for all HPV-related cancers.

To read the full report on Adolescent Vaccinations, click here.