Don’t Wait to Vaccinate

Doctors recommend that girls and boys get vaccinated against HPV at age 11 or 12. The series should be completed by age 13.

The vaccine can be started as early as age 9.

Age Matters
When you vaccinate your child on time, you help protect them from HPV cancers. HPV vaccination works best when given before age 13. Cancer protection decreases as age at vaccination increases.

Cancer Prevention Decreases with Delayed Vaccination

First Opportunity
Ages 9-10
2 Doses 6-12 months apart

On Time
Ages 11-12
2 Doses 6-12 months apart

Critical
Ages 13-14
2 Doses 6-12 months apart

Last Chance
Ages 15-26
3 Doses
1st dose 1 visit one
2nd dose 1-2 months later
3rd dose 6 months after 1st dose

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