

HPV AWARENESS BOOKLET

Protecting Our Daughters,
Building a Healthier Future



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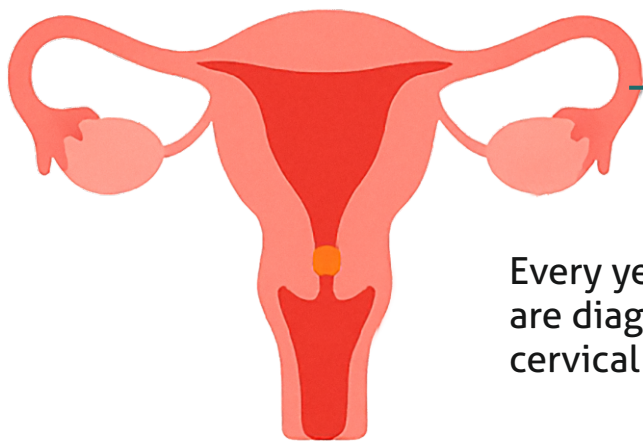


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What is HPV and Why Should We Care?

HPV (Human Papillomavirus) is a very common infection that spreads through skin contact.

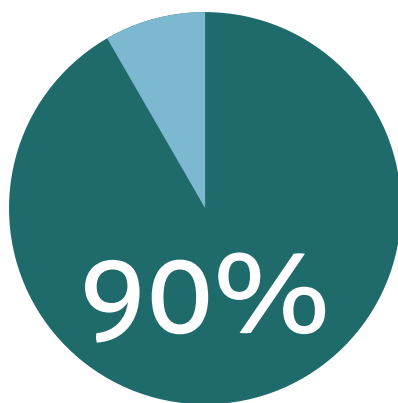
Certain types of HPV cause cervical cancer, which affects the lower part or the uterus in women.



Where
cervical cancer
occurs

Every year, -1,23,000 Indian women are diagnosed and -77,000 die from cervical cancer

The good news: HPV vaccines can prevent almost 90% of cervical cancer cases.



Preventable with
vaccine



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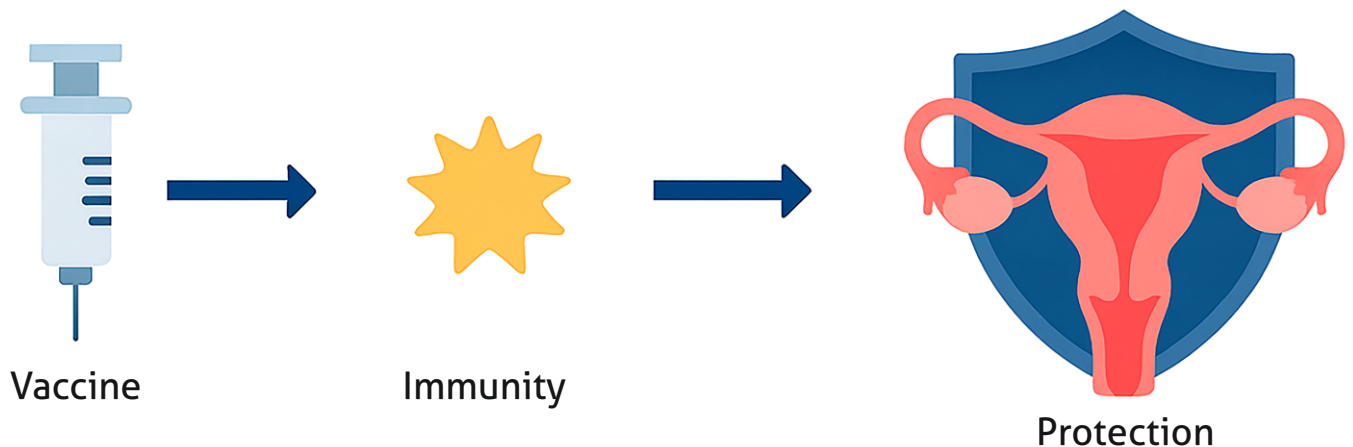




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How the HPV Vaccine Protects

The HPV vaccine teaches the body to fight the virus before it causes infection. It is most effective when given before first exposure (before sexual contact) - hence for girls aged 9-14 years.



DOSAGE:

Safe, tested and approved by Government of India & WHO. No impact on fertility, menstruation, or growth.



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Who Should Get The HPV Vaccine & When



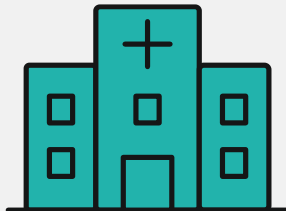
Target Group:

- All girls aged 9-14 years (can start from age 9)
- Catch-up vaccination for girls and women up to 26 years (if not already vaccinated)



Schedule:

- 2/3 doses, as per health practitioner



Where to get it:

- Government hospitals, District Health Centres, private clinics and some schools
- Pilot programs under the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) are ongoing



Cost:

- Free under government rollout (in phases in few states only)
- In private hospitals: 2000 - 12,000 per dose (Cervavac - made in India by Serum Institute)



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Is safe?

Common Questions & Misconceptions

✕ MYTH

Only women can get HPV

HPV only causes cervical cancer

HPV vaccine are only for teenagers

HPV is not a serious health concern

HPV can only be transmitted through sexual intercourse

✓ FACT

HPV can affect men and women

HPV can lead to other cancer such as anal, penile, vaginal and throat cancers

HPV are recommended for adults as well. It's never too late to get vaccinated

HPV can cause serious health issues including cancer

HPV can be transmitted by intimate skin-to-skin contact



Yes, the vaccination is safe!



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Safety & Global Success of HPV Vaccine

Key Facts About the HPV Vaccine

- HPV vaccine used in 125+ countries
- Over 600 million doses given safely
- 15+ years of strong safety monitoring
- Supported by WHO, UNICEF, Govt of India
- Proven to reduce cervical cancer rates in countries with high coverage



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Let's Protect Our Daughters together

- Cervical cancer is preventable - vaccination saves lives
- Talk to your doctor or visit your nearest health centre
- Encourage schools and parents to support vaccination drives
- Together, we can build a future free from cervical cancer



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Who to Connect with for HPV Vaccine

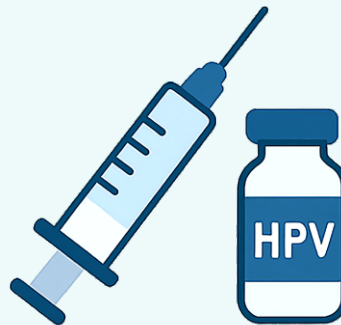
WHO TO CONNECT WITH



Primary Care Doctor /
General Physician

e.g. Pediatrician
e.g. Pediatric Associates

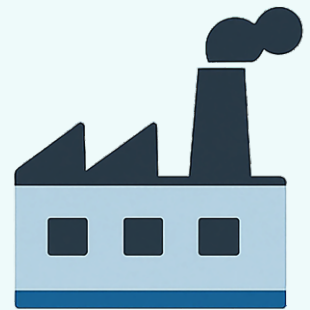
WHO PROVIDES HPV VACCINE



Immunization /
vaccination centers

e.g. Health Department

WHO MANUFACTURES IT



Vaccine
Manufacturers

e.g. Merck,
Serum Institute, GSK



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