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HPV Vaccine

Human Papillomavirus Vaccination Coverage Among Girls and Post-Licensure Vaccine Safety Monitoring – United States, 2007-2012 Recorded: July 23, 2013; posted: July 25, 2013

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Nearly all sexually active men and women will get infected with human papillomavirus, or HPV, at some point in their lives. HPV can lead to serious health problems later in life, including certain cancers in both men *and* women. Since 2006, a vaccine has been available that protects against the most frequent cancer-causing types of HPV. The vaccine is recommended for children, starting at age 11 or 12. However, recent data indicate that only one-third of girls got all three recommended doses.

Parents, talk to your child's health care provider about getting the HPV vaccine.

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