

# Alaska HPV Vaccination Month 2024 Toolkit



# HPV CANCER PREVENTION STARTS WITH YOU.

We invite your organization to participate in **Alaska HPV Vaccination Month** to help prevent HPV cancers and pre-cancers.

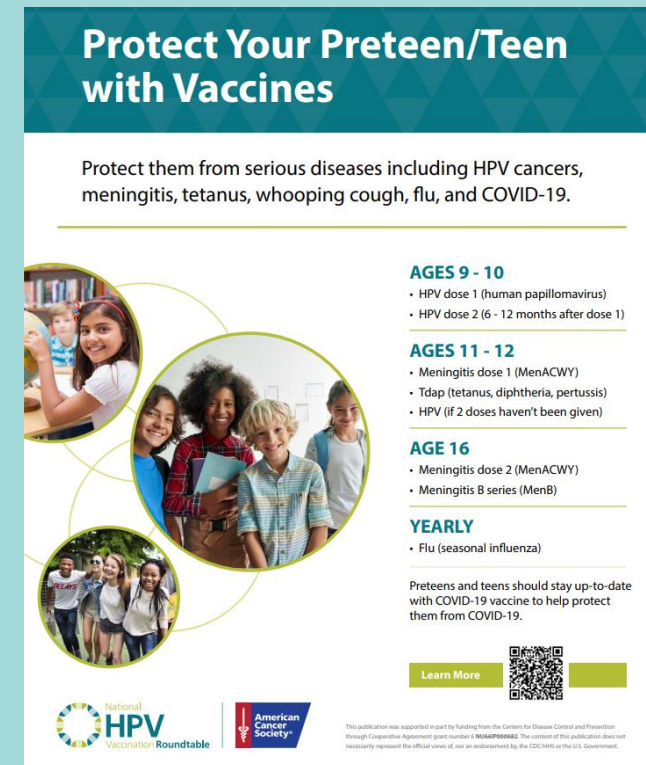
By instituting system changes to improve HPV vaccination, your system or organization can improve HPV vaccination rates and **reduce future suffering, lower costs associated with treatment, and ultimately help save patients' lives.**

# PARTNER TOOLKIT

## Toolkit Includes:

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## Order HPV Vaccination Month promotional materials for your organization at no cost



**Protect Your Preteen/Teen with Vaccines**

Protect them from serious diseases including HPV cancers, meningitis, tetanus, whooping cough, flu, and COVID-19.

**AGES 9 - 10**

- HPV dose 1 (human papillomavirus)
- HPV dose 2 (6 - 12 months after dose 1)

**AGES 11 - 12**

- Meningitis dose 1 (MenACWY)
- Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)
- HPV (if 2 doses haven't been given)

**AGE 16**


- Meningitis dose 2 (MenACWY)
- Meningitis B series (MenB)



**YEARLY**

- Flu (seasonal influenza)

Preteens and teens should stay up-to-date with COVID-19 vaccine to help protect them from COVID-19.

[Learn More](#)



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## PROJECT GOAL



The goal of HPV Cancer Free AK is:  
Protecting Alaska's kids from HPV related cancers.



# FACTS ON THE HPV VACCINATION AND VIRUS

**HPV  
VACCINATION IS  
CANCER  
PREVENTION**

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## HPV RELATED CANCERS

HPV vaccination helps protect against six types of cancer: cervical, oropharynx, vulva, penis, anus, and vagina.

**4/5**

## PEOPLE HAVE HPV

The virus is so common that it will infect most people at some point in their lives. About four out of five people will get HPV.

**90%**

## PREVENTED

HPV vaccination can prevent more than 90% of HPV cancers when given at the recommended ages.

**2x**

## SHOTS

The HPV vaccine is given in a series of two shots six to 12 months apart. Doctors recommend that all youth get vaccinated against HPV between age 9 to 12.

## ALASKA'S VACCINATION RATES

### HPV VACCINATION IS CANCER PREVENTION:

HPV vaccination is strongly recommended for all youth. The vaccine helps prevent infection with the most common types of HPV that can cause cervical, throat, vulvar, vaginal, penile, and anal cancers.

Alaska's 2022 up-to-date HPV vaccination coverage\* for youth 13-17 years old was just:

**57.8 %**

[\\*National Immunization Survey-Teen](#)

## PROJECT PHASES



Sign-up as an  
official Partner of  
HPV Vaccination  
Month



Plan and execute at  
least one (1)  
evidence-based  
activity for HPV  
Vaccination Month



Increase your  
system's HPV  
vaccination rates &  
share best practices

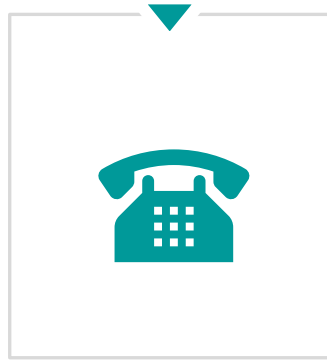
## FOCUSED EVIDENCE-BASED INTERVENTIONS & RESOURCES



### Professional CME

Training providers with an effective vaccination recommendation is critical to addressing vaccination coverage.

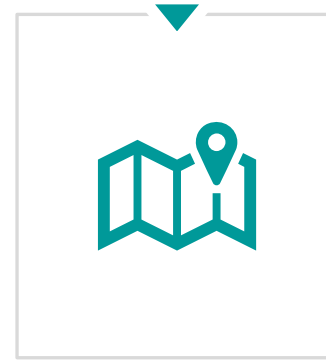
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### Patient Reminders & Recalls

Establish patient reminders via text messaging, mail, email, and/or phone calls for a cost-effective method to improve immunization coverage on follow-up shots.

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### Reduce Structural Barriers

Some barriers include parent and provider vaccine education and increasing appointment accessibility.

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### Clinical Champions

Identify a “champion” among your health system to engage the team and lead outreach to increase immunization rates.

## CLINIC-LEVEL STRATEGIES

1. Vaccinate children against HPV when other family members get vaccinated
2. Provide same-day vaccination when children are seen for an acute care visit
3. Align office and clinic policies
  1. Create a clinic policy to start recommending HPV vaccination at age 9
  2. Implement standing orders
  3. Notify families whose children are behind on immunizations (recall) or due soon (reminder)
4. Align talking points by all staff in the clinic: “HPV vaccine is cancer prevention”
5. Know HPV vaccine coverage rates for the clinic AND for each clinician
6. Recommend HPV vaccine in the same way, and on the same day as other adolescent vaccines
7. Identify and contact families with children who are overdue for vaccinations and consider an HPV vaccination catch-up effort

*Taking advantage of the Tdap immunization opportunity is critical, and knowing how to communicate a strong recommendation is one of the most important things that a provider can do.*

# START AT AGE 9

American Cancer Society's National HPV Vaccination Roundtable has developed the "[Start at Age 9](#)" toolkits that can be used in your practice.

Additional information about HPV-related cancers and ACS's work to reduce them can be found at [cancer.org/HPV](https://cancer.org/HPV).

ACS Elimination [Statement](#) for HPV Cancers

## Start at Age 9 Toolkit

**Ready-to-use posters, cue cards, and vaccination schedules**

### HPV VACCINE SCHEDULE & DOSES

Don't wait to vaccinate. The American Cancer Society recommends that boys and girls get the HPV vaccine starting at age 9. Age matters. When you vaccinate your child on time, you give them the best protection from HPV cancers. In fact, HPV cancer prevention decreases the longer you wait to vaccinate.



#### ON TIME

AGE 9-12

**2 Doses**

6-12 months apart

Begin at age 9 years old for a better immune response.



#### LATE

AGES 13-14

**2 Doses**

6-12 months apart



#### CRITICAL

AGES 15-26

**3 Doses**

1st dose at visit one

2nd dose 1-2 months later

3rd dose 6 months after 1st dose

[hpvrroundtable.org](https://hpvrroundtable.org)

## PROJECT'S TARGET AUDIENCE:

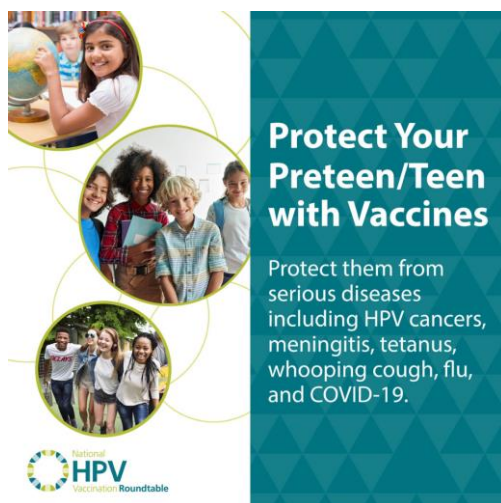


1. Parents of Alaskan youth
2. Providers seeing adolescent patients
3. Community organizations focused on the health and wellness of our youth

## SOCIAL MEDIA TOOLKITS

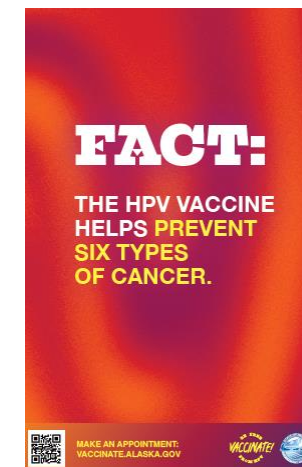
### HPV Vaccination Social Media Posts by National HPV Vaccination Roundtable

Numerous graphics around HPV vaccination facts and promotion of the vaccine. Available in English and Spanish.



### HPV Vaccine Communications by Alaska Immunization Program

Use these social media graphics to share information with families about HPV. Email the project team to request materials. Available in English and Spanish.



## SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

### For use with parent audience

- ▶ The HPV vaccine helps prevent six types of cancer. Know the facts about the benefits of early vaccination and contact your health care provider for a well checkup.
- ▶ HPV infects millions of people, including teens, each year. The HPV vaccine prevents six types of cancers caused by the human papillomavirus and can be given with other recommended routine vaccines. Schedule a well visit with your health care provider today.
- ▶ You have the power to get an early start on living a long and healthy life. Well visits and routine vaccines keep adolescents and teens protected from serious diseases such as cancers caused by HPV, tetanus and meningitis.
- ▶ Do you have preteen or teen kids in your home? Are they up to date on their vaccinations? Preteens and teens need 4 vaccines to protect them from serious, and sometimes deadly, diseases. Any visit to the doctor—when they are sick, getting a physical for sports, camp or school—can be a good time for preteens and teens to get the recommended vaccines.
- ▶ Don't miss an opportunity to protect your child from cancer. HPV vaccine is recommended for all youth ages 9–12 to protect against cancers and other diseases caused by HPV.

## RESOURCES ON HPV VACCINATION

Visit [HPVCancerFreeAK.org](https://HPVCancerFreeAK.org) to find resources for:

- [Providers](#)
- [Parents](#)
- [Youth](#)

Including resources [in Spanish](#)

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