

HPV VACCINE INFORMATION FOR MEN & WOMEN



HPV is a common virus that can cause HPV cancers in both males and females. The good news is that there is a vaccine to help protect you and your partner against HPV and HPV cancer. Better yet, it's FREE for men and women 26 and under.*

HPV IS A VERY COMMON VIRUS

HPV (Human papillomavirus) is so common that 70-80% of us will come in contact with it at some stage of our lives.

It is spread by normal sexual skin-to-skin contact.

In most people, the virus is harmless and has no symptoms, so they can transmit it without even knowing.

PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR PARTNER WITH THE FREE HPV VACCINE

FREE HPV immunisation is the best way to help protect against HPV.

The vaccine works by causing the body to produce its own protection (virus-fighting antibodies) against HPV.

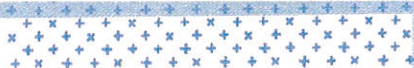
The vaccine has been clinically tested and shown to be effective in helping prevent HPV related cancers from occurring, and is expected to offer life-long protection.

Research has shown that HPV is the main cause of a number of cancers including: vaginal, cervical and anal cancers. HPV also causes genital warts.

Sadly a number of people die each year from cancers caused by HPV.

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YES, YOUR PARTNER SHOULD BE IMMUNISED TOO



HPV cancers are a serious risk for men and women, so if you are both protected with the HPV vaccine then you both have the best possible protection.

IF YOU'VE ALREADY HAD SEX YOU CAN STILL BENEFIT

If you have already been involved in sexual activity, you may have already come into contact with HPV. However, it is unlikely that you will have been infected with all the 9 HPV types covered by the HPV vaccine.

Also, only about 50% of people who have had HPV will develop the virus-fighting antibodies naturally - and even then it's not clear if those antibodies will be at sufficient levels to provide long-term protection.

LIKE ANY VACCINE, THERE CAN BE SIDE EFFECTS

The most common are injection-site related reactions like soreness, redness, swelling and in some cases mild fever.

For the most part these reactions are mild and usually improve or disappear within a few days.

THE SOONER THE BETTER

Get immunised now before you come in contact with any more HPV virus types! Three injections in the arm over a six-month period is all it takes.

Don't delay; make an appointment with your doctor for you and your partner.

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