

Protect Your Son with the HPV Vaccine

The HPV Vaccine: Protecting Boys Today for a Healthier Tomorrow

As a parent, you want the best for your child's health. The HPV vaccine is a simple, safe, and effective way to protect boys from cancers caused by the human papillomavirus (HPV). Boys are at risk for throat, penile, and anal cancers caused by HPV. Vaccination is the best way to prevent these cancers and to help protect their future partners.

Did You Know?

- 1 in 4 people in the U.S. is currently infected with HPV.
- The HPV vaccine can prevent 90% of HPV-related cancers and genital warts in boys.
- Over 100 million doses of the HPV vaccine have been given safely in the U.S.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why does my son need the HPV vaccine?

A: Boys are at risk of cancers caused by HPV, including throat, penile, and anal cancers. Vaccinating your son can help protect him from these serious diseases.

Q: Is the HPV vaccine safe?

A: Yes. The HPV vaccine has been thoroughly tested and monitored for safety. Side effects are typically mild, such as soreness at the injection site.

Q: Will getting the vaccine encourage early sexual activity?

A: No. Studies show that the HPV vaccine does not influence when teens become sexually active.

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Take Action Today!

The HPV vaccine is most effective when given between ages 9 and 12. Contact your pediatrician or local health clinic to schedule an appointment. Protect your son today for a healthier tomorrow!

For more information, visit: www.cdc.gov/hpv or www.vaccinateyourfamily.org