Tweets for Healthcare Professionals

**HPV Vaccine**

**Clinicians:** did you know a strong recommendation for #HPV vax is the most powerful predictor of vaccination for parents?

Why is HPV vax recommended at ages 11–12? Vax must be given before exposure to be effective and highest immune response occurs at 11–12.

**Clinicians:** You can raise HPV vax rates by recommending #HPV vaccine the same way and same day you recommend Tdap and mening.

Don’t miss an opportunity to prevent cancer. Recommend #HPV vaccine to all of 11–12-year-old patients.

**Gardasil 9**

**Clinicians:** CDC recommends that those who are eligible for vaccination start the #HPV vaccine series with whatever vaccine is in stock.

Gardasil 9 is recommended for girls and boys at ages 11–12 to protect against cancers caused by #HPV.

**Vaccine Safety**

Approx 79M doses of #HPV vax have been distributed since vax introduced, and no serious safety concerns linked to #HPV vaccination.

Adolescent patients should be seated or lying down during vaccination and stay that way for 15 minutes after to avoid fainting.

Most reported adverse events following #HPV vaccination are considered minor.

Pain at injection site, headache, nausea, fever & fainting are the most common adverse events after #HPV vaccination.

**Paying for #HPV Vaccine**

For parents that need help paying for vaccines, direct them to VFC. Girls and boys 9-18 w/o insurance coverage qualify for VFC program.

Are the parents of your patients concerned about the cost of #HPV vaccine? The VFC program may be able to assist them.

**Seasonal & Health Observances**

**Cervical Cancer Awareness Month (January)**

January is #CervicalCancer Awareness Month! Are your preteen patients protected from #HPV cancers?

Most #cervicalcancer cases could be prevented by HPV vaccination at ages 11-12. Vaccinate your preteen patients.

Every year HPV vax 3-dose rates stay at 30% instead of 80%, 4,400 future cases & 1,400 deaths from #cervicalcancer will occur each year.

Protect your patients from #cervicalcancer by recommending HPV vax the same way & same day you recommend Tdap and mening.

Clinicians: If you could prevent a cancer that affects over 17,000 women every year, would you? #CervicalCancer
**Cancer Prevention Month (February)**
If parents ask why their kids need HPV vaccine, tell them that HPV vaccine is #CancerPrevention

February is #CancerPrevention month. Protect your preteen patients from HPV cancers with HPV vaccination before they turn 13.

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**National Cancer Control Month (April)**
Keep cancer in check this month by giving HPV vaccine to all your preteen patients. #CancerControl

What are you doing to keep HPV cancer in check this month? Recommend HPV vax to all your preteen patients. #CancerControl

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**National Women’s Health Week (May 10–16)**
If you could prevent a cancer that affects over 17,000 women a year, would you? HPV vax could prevent most of these. #WomensHealthWeek

Make women’s health a priority this week. Recommend HPV vaccine for all of your preteen patients to protect against HPV cancers. #WomensHealthWeek

It’s #WomensHealthWeek. Your strong recommendation for HPV vax can protect a generation of women from cervical cancer.

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**Back to School (June–August)**
During your #BackToSchool appointments make sure all preteen patients get Tdap, meningococcal conjugate, and HPV shots.

It’s #BackToSchool time! Giving HPV vaccine during the same visit you give Tdap and mening can significantly raise HPV vax rates in your practice.

#BackToSchool season is crucial to ensuring preteens are protected from serious diseases like pertussis, meningitis, and HPV cancers.

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**National Men’s Health Week (June 7–13)**
It’s #MensHealthWeek. HPV vaccine is recommended for boys to protect against cancer later in life. #UCanStopHPV

It’s #MensHealthWeek! HPV vaccine can protect men from anal cancer & genital warts.

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**National Immunization Awareness Month (August)**
(Note: Add # for current years NIAM campaign)

NIAM is a great chance to educate parents on the importance of vaccinating their preteens.

Celebrate NIAM by recommending HPV vax the same way and same day you recommend Tdap and mening.

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**Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month (September)**
Pediatricians: Protect your preteen patients from future #GynecologicCancer like #cervicalcancer #HPVvaccination today can protect your preteen patients from #GynecologicCancer in the future.