HPV is a common disease and can have serious consequences. In the U.S., approximately 79 million people have been infected with HPV, and 80% of sexually active people will contract HPV over their lifetime.

New HPV infections occur every year. 14 million new HPV infections occur every year. You can contract HPV even if you've had just one sexual partner and do not show any symptoms of being sick. The virus can be spread through oral sex and other sexual encounters, not just intercourse.

Cervical Cancer
Genital Cancer
Anogenital Cancer
Throat Cancer
Genital warts

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Each year, there are 12,000 cases of cervical cancer leading to over 4,000 deaths in women.

Each year, there are 9,300 HPV-related cancers in men.

Getting vaccinated will also prevent you and your partner from spreading HPV in the future.

The HPV vaccine is safe and effective. Clinical trials and ongoing research have shown the HPV vaccine’s protection remains strong for at least 10 years. There is no evidence to suggest this level of protection changes over time. In the past eight years since the vaccine was licensed, only 0.0003% of patients reported side effects – and most of those were “non-serious” symptoms such as headache, nausea and dizziness.

The HPV vaccine can protect both you and your partner from cancer.

The HPV vaccine is safe and effective. You are the key to HPV cancer prevention. Make sure you are protected by receiving all recommended doses of the HPV vaccine.

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