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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BE EMPOWERED. KNOW THE FACTS. HPV VIRUS



HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS (HPV)

- The most common sexually transmitted infection (STI) in the USA.
- HPV spreads through skin to skin intimate physical contact.
- HPV affects both men & women.
- HPV is the leading cause of 6 types of cancer.

HOW TO PREVENT GETTING

GET VACCINATED

- HPV vaccine is 90% effective in helping prevent cancers caused by HPV Virus.
- The vaccine is safe and fully monitored.
 No serious safety concerns have been linked to the vaccine.
- Preteens (both girls and boys) ages 9-12 should get vaccinated.



- HPV vaccine is most effective in preteens because they have a higher immune response to HPV vaccine than older teens.
- Unvaccinated teens and young adults between 15 and 26 years of age should get vaccinated regardless if they are sexually active or not.

USE CONDOMS

Consistent condom use can protect women from HPV infection.



AVOID DIRECT CONTACT

The surest way to prevent genital HPV infection is to refrain from any genital contact with another person.

GET TESTED

HPV infections can be diagnosed with a Pap test, which checks for cancer or precancerous changes of the cervix.

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