



DATE: December 8, 2009

TO: All Vaccines for Children Providers

FROM: Deb Zambrano, RN, VFC Clinical Coordinator

RE: HPV vaccine for males

Dear Providers,

In November, Gardasil® Merck's quadrivalent human papillomavirus vaccine (HPV) was licensed for use in males ages 9-26 years of age by the FDA. It is now available for ordering by VFC providers for the age group designated in the chart, below.

Gardasil® for males and females age 9-18		
Quadrivalent HPV vaccine		
Dose	Customary Age/Spacing	Minimum Interval
Dose 1	11-12 years or ages 9-18 years	
Dose 2	2 months after dose 1	minimum 4 weeks
Dose 3	6 months after dose 1	minimum 24 weeks after dose 1

Cervarix® for females age 9-18		
Bi-valent HPV vaccine		
Dose	Customary Age/Spacing	Minimum Interval
Dose 1	11-12 years or ages 9-18 years	
Dose 2	2 months after dose 1	minimum 4 weeks
Dose 3	6 months after dose 1	minimum 24 weeks after dose 1

The HPV vaccines series should be completed with the same HPV vaccine product whenever possible.

Catch-up vaccination

Vaccination is recommended for females 13 through 18 years of age who have not been previously vaccinated or who have not completed the full series.

Other vaccination

Eligible females as young as 9 years old may be vaccinated.
Eligible males 9 through 18 years of age may be vaccinated.

For questions about ordering VFC vaccines contact Nicole Ortiz, VFC Operations Coordinator at 303-692-2334, or at nicole.ortiz@state.co.us.

For clinical questions regarding the use or administration of HPV vaccine contact Deb Zambrano, RN, VFC Clinical Coordinator at 866-530-1813 x 22 or at debra.zambrano@state.co.us, or your regional CDPHE Public Health Nurse Consultant.

Also check out our web site at: <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/dc/Immunization/index.html> for links to the CDC website and other immunization resources.