HPV and related cancers among people living with HIV and key populations

EACS guidelines vs. Implementation of HPV vaccination among PLWH

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What do the EACS guidelines suggest?

Infection	Vaccination rationale	Comment
Human Papilloma Virus (HPV)	Shared risk with HIV of contracting infection. Higher rate of cervical and anal cancer	Vaccinate with 3 doses between ages 9 and 45 (health insurance coverage differs by country according to age, sex, sexual orientation). Use 9-valent vaccine if available. Persons treated for high grade dysplasia could benefit from a full course
		Persons treated for high grade dysplasia could benefit from a full coul vaccination for secondary prevention

- 9-45 yo
- 3 doses
- 9-valent
- as secondary prevention





Efficacy and Durability of Immune Response after Receipt of HPV Vaccines in People Living with HIV

Strategy	Benefits	Limitations	Feasibility
Use of 2vHPV (adjuvanted) vs. 4vHPV/9vHPV	 AS04 adjuvant in 2vHPV stimulates TLR in antigen presenting cells, leading to enhanced humoral and cellular responses Studies in immunocompetent participants and PLH have evidenced higher GMTs, especially against HPV-18 after vaccination with 2vHPV [29,50,65,66] Possibility of cross-protection against HPV-types not included in the vaccine [29] 	 No significant differences in VE have been evidenced across vaccine platforms for immunocompetent participants [2] To our knowledge, there are no RCTs comparing VE of the two formulations in PLH No direct protection against HPV-6 and HPV-11, types associated with genital warts and respiratory papillomatosis No RCTs up to date comparing the immunogenicity of 9vHPV vs. 2vHPV in PLH 	No major obstacles to implementation Possibility of using a mixed-dose schedule
Use of 9vHPV vs. 2vHPV/4vHPV	9vHPV has a higher antigen content than 4vHPV and has led to slightly higher GMTs for HPV-18 in immunocompetent participants [77] Direct protection against a higher number of HPV types	No significant differences in VE or durability (for HPV-16 and HPV-18) have been evidenced across vaccine platforms for immunocompetent participants [2] Studies assessing 9vHPV in PLH are currently underway, limiting information on immunogenicity and VE	9vHPV is currently the only vaccine distributed in many countries Higher cost per vaccine may hinder implementation in LMICs with higher HIV burden
Additional vaccine dose (4-dose regimens)	Study in CLH has shown an anamnestic response 7 days after vaccination with 4th dose (at week 96) [53]	 Same study showed no significant differences in seropositivity or antibody decline rates for HPV-16 and HPV-18 [53] There are no RCTs comparing the VE of 3- vs. 4-dose schedules in PLH Studies in immunocompetent participants have shown similar VEs to regimens with reduced number of doses [34,35,36] 	Higher cost of additional dose may hinder implementation in LMICs, with a higher HIV burden
Delaying vaccination until immune reconstitution	PLH with CD4 counts below 200 cells/mm ³ and detectable VL have lower seropositivity rates and GMTs compared to well-controlled PLH [31,57,58]	Conflicting results regarding influence of CD4/CD8 counts as well as HIV VL on vaccine response in subjects with a reconstituted immune status despite HIV infection [26,28] Missed opportunity of vaccination	EACS 2022 [33] and BHIVA 2015 [25] guidelines suggest waiting until immune reconstitution

What do the EACS guidelines suggest?

Vaccination

- Vaccinate according to national guidelines for healthy population, preferably after having achieved suppressed viraemia and immune reconstitution (CD4 count ≥200 cells/µL or ≥15%)
- Consider repeating vaccinations performed at CD4 count <200 cells
 µL (or <15%) or unsuppressed viraemia once adequate immune
 reconstitution is achieved (HIV VL undetectable and CD4 count ≥200
 cells/µL or ≥15%
- As vaccine responses may be significantly lower in persons with HIV (i.e. lower seroconversion rates, faster titre decline), do not use rapid schedules (e.g. rabies, tick-borne encephalitis, HAV/HBV) and consider antibody titres to assess their effectiveness if vaccinated at CD4 count <200 cells/µL (<15%) or unsuppressed viremia (e.g. rabies, tick-borne encephalitis, HAV, meningococci). Be attentive to observe boosters and all post-exposure measures (particularly after potential rabies exposure)



Possible barriers

- Cost
- Not being fully reimbursed
- Not in the national guidelines
- Fear of side effects
- General attitude against vaccination
- Health care providers don't encourage vaccination
- Guidelines not being properly disseminated among health care providers
- Lack of knowledge/awareness among people who would benefit from HPV vaccine
- Shortage of vaccines, stockouts



Management Of Sexually Transmitted Infections in Central And Eastern Europe: Route To Improvement

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Purpose: Sexually transmitted infections (STIs) are a major global public health problem with a recent increasing trend in Europe. However, data from Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) is lacking. This study aims to analyze the current healthcare practices for STIs in the region.

Method: Twenty-five countries in CEE were invited to respond to a survey including 26 questions on the management of STIs, existing issues with the current healthcare system in terms of STIs, and how to address them.

Results: Twenty-four participants from 24 countries responded; 12 were European Union (EU) members, and 12 were non-EU.

Any medical doctor would be able to diagnose STIs in 58,3% and 41,7% in EU and non-EU countries (p:0,683) and to treat STIs in 33,3% in both EU and non-EU countries. (p:1) A patient needs to be referred by a physician for STI diagnosis and treatment in a significantly high number of non-EU countries (66,66%) vs EU countries (8,3%) (p:0,009).

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Conclusion: In the vast majority of CEE countries national strategies for STI management is either lacking or inadequate. There are also significant gaps in screening for, treatment, prevention and vaccination for STIs in many CEE countries, the majority being non-EU, low- to moderate-income. Developing strong and sustainable programs that provide equal access to all high-risk populations is critical in the response to the growing number of STIs.

Populations for which STI screening is mandatory

	EU n (%)	Non-EU n (%)	P
Blood and organ donors	11 (91.66%)	12 (%100)	-
Registered sex workers	1 (8.3%)	3 (%25)	0.59
Unregistered sex workers	0	1/12 (8.3%)	
Men who have sex with men	0	2 (9616,6)	0.47
People who inject drugs	0	2 (9616,6)	0.47
Pregnant women	9 (%75)	5 (9641,66)	0.21

STIs notifiable by law

	EU	Non-EU	P
	n (%)	n (%)	
Gonorrhoea	12 (100%)	10 (83.33%)	0.47
Chlamydia	11 (91.66%)	6 (50.0%)	0.06
LGV	8 (66.66%)	3 (25.0%)	0.1
Syphilis	12 (100%)	12 (100)	1
Hepatitis B	10 (83.33%)	10 (83.33%)	1
Hepatitis C	10 (83.33%)	10 (83.33%)	1
HIV	12 (100)	11 (91.66%)	-

Available antibiotics for the treatment of STIs

	EU	NON-EU
Metronidazole	12/12 (100%)	12/12 (100%)
Tinidazole	8/12 (66.66%)	5/12 (41.66%)
Ceftriaxone	12/12 (100%)	12/12 (100%)
Cefixime	7/12 (58.33%)	11/12 (91.66%)
Ciprofloxacine	10/12 (83.33%)	12/12 (100%)
Levofloxacine	10/12 (83.33%)	9/12 (75.0%)
Moxifloxacine	11/12 (91.66%)	9/12 (75.0%)
Benzathine Penicillin	11/12 (91.66%)	8/12 (66.66%)
Proceine Penicillin	10/12 (83.33%)	6/12 (50.0%)
Crystalline Penicillin	7/12 (58.33%)	4/12 (33.33%)
Tetracycline/ Doxycycline	12/12 (100%)	12/12 (100%)
Spectinomycin	1/12 (8.3%)*	1/12 (8.3%)**
Pristinomycin	0	0
Azithromycin	12/12 (100%)	12/12 (100%)

BARRIERS FOR BETTER MANAGEMENT OF STIS	
Fear of stigma and discrimination	83.33%
2. STIs not prioritized by the government	66.66%
3. Lack of preventive programs	66.66%
4. Lack of STI clinics	66.66%
5. Lack of awareness of the population	58.33%
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Five urgent actions to scale-up STI manager	ment in your country
EU	Non-EU
Providing access to free diagnosis and treatment	Establishing dedicated STI clinics
2. Establishing dedicated STI clinics	Providing access to free diagnosis and treatment
 Education for healthcare providers to increase awareness and reduce stigma. 	 Increasing prevention practices such as vaccination and Prep
4. More effective surveillance by improving reporting	Improving awareness among key populations
 Development of national strategies regarding STIs 	 Improving availability and accessibility of diagnostic tools for STIs

Specific clinics and guidelines for STIs and integrated screening programs for key populations

	EU n (%)	Non-EU n(%)	P
STI dinics	6 (50.0%)	5 (41.6%)	1
Guidelines for STIs	7 (58.3%)	7 (58.3%)	1
Integrated (HIV and STI) screening program for key populations	5 (41.6)	8 (66.6%)	0.413

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HPV Vaccination Recommendations and Reimbursement for MSM

Some countriew currently have specific recommendations for vaccination of MSM

Recommendations

Italy: Any age

Spain: Up to the age of 26 (depending on the region)

France : Up to the age of 26

Ireland: Up to the age of 45

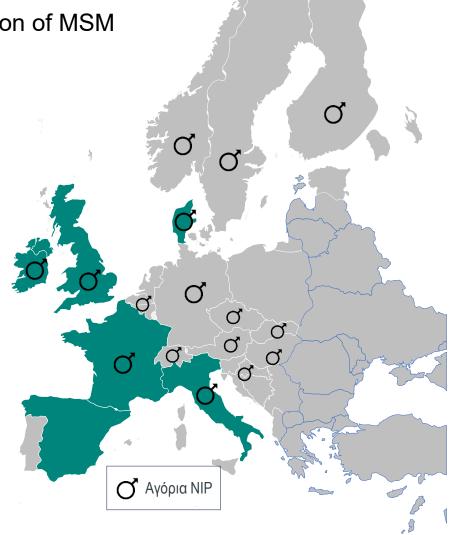
Canada: Up to the age of 27

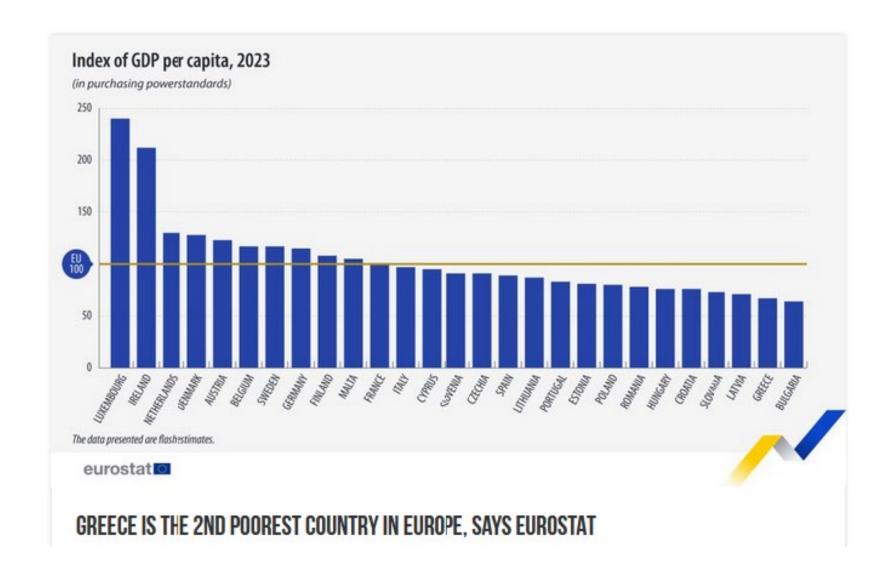
Denmark: Catch up vaccination for 18-25

United Kingdom: Up to the age of 45

Greece: Up to the age of $26 \rightarrow 45$

The Greek example









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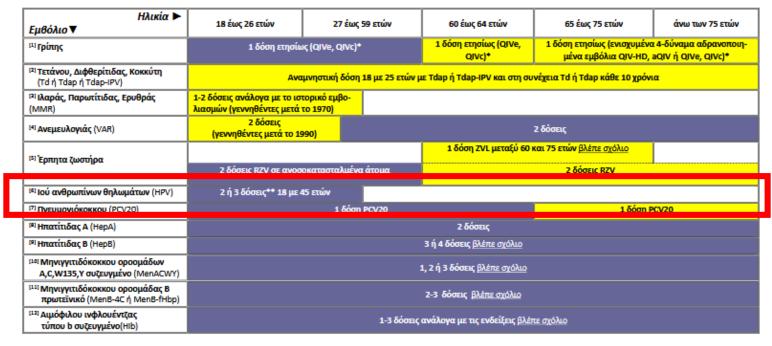
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Πίνακος 4. Τυστάσεις εμδολιασμών σε ενήλικες με Μετομάσχευση.

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Greek National Vaccination Program

Πίνακας 1. Εθνικό Πρόγραμμα Εμβολιασμών Ενηλίκων, ανά ηλικιακή ομάδα, 2024



Συνιστώνται για ενήλικες που πληρούν το ηλικιακό κριτήριο είτε δεν έχουν αποδεικτικό προηγούμενου εμβολιασμού ή νόσησης Συνιστώνται για ενήλικες με συνοδές ιατρικές καταστάσεις (**ομάδες αυξημένου κινδύνου**) ή άλλες ενδείξεις

Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine

HPV9 (6, 11, 16, 18, 31, 33, 45, 52, 58) vaccine is available in Greece.

HPV9 is recommended for unvaccinated women and men, aged 18-45 in the following special groups of increased risk:

- o Primary or secondary immunosuppression
- o HIV infection.
- o Malignant neoplasms.
- o Transplantation.
- o Autoimmune diseases.
- o Receiving immunosuppressive treatment.
- o Women who are unvaccinated and have undergone or are about to undergo cone resection (CIN2+).
- o Men who have sex with men (MSM)

It is recommended to carry out two doses with an interval of 6 months (formula 0, 6) for all groups with the following exceptions: people with HIV infection and people with immunosuppression or receiving immunosuppressive treatment in which it is recommended to carry out three doses (form 0.1–2, 6 months)

Βλέπε κείμενο για επεξήγηση συντομογραφιών

^{**} Συνιστώνται σε ηλικίες μεταξύ 18 και 45 ετών, ανεξαρτήτως φύλου, σε συγκεκριμένες ομάδες αυξημένου κινδύνο

Main points

- HPV transmission from women to men is higher than from men to women.
- Indirect herd protection in males depends on maintaining high vaccination coverage in females.
- MSM are not likely to benefit from herd protection by vaccinating only females.
- Vaccination regardless of gender provides immediate protection for men.

"Vaccinating men reduces virus circulation from unvaccinated cohorts and therefore accelerates the benefits for women, through a process known as herd protection. The effect of vaccination with lower coverage can be directly improved by vaccination regardless of sex."1 -ESGO-EFC

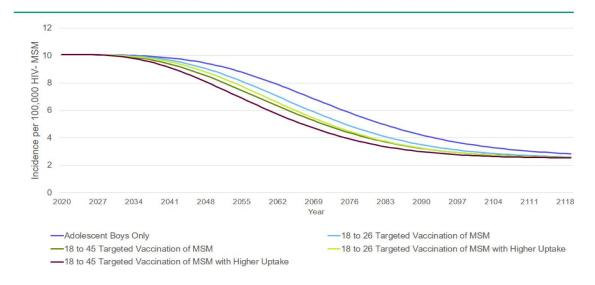
"At the population level, HPV vaccination of boys provides direct protection against HPV disease, indirect herd protection in girls, and ensures that vulnerable groups that do not benefit from these herd effects, such as MSM and immigrants, are protected who are outside the herd."2 -HIQA

MSM=Men who have sex with men

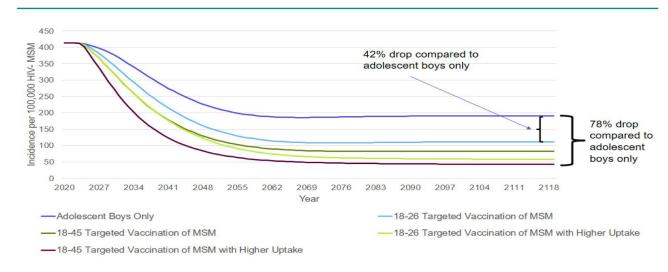
Modeling health impact and cost-effectiveness of HPV vaccination in HIV+ and HIV- MSM in Germany

Substantial reduction in HPV related disease

Results: Anal Cancer Incidence in HIV- MSM



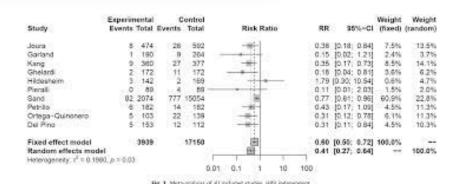
Results: Anogenital Warts Incidence in HIV- MSM



- The benefit among HIV+ MSM, is significant, with approximately a third of averted cases being seen in 5-6% of the MSM population
- Addition of MSM up to 45 is cost -effective

Prophylactic HPV vaccination after conization: A systematic review and meta-analysis

Reference	Endpoint	Vaccine type	No. of recurrent CIN cases		Risk reduction (%) [95%	Study population	Study design
			Vaccinated cohort 2/4v vaccine n/N (%)	Control group n/N (%)	CI] or study results as reported		
Joura et al.	CIN2+ (HPV-type independent)	Quadri-valent	8/474 (1.7)	26/592 (4.4)	64.9 [20.1-86.3]	Age 15–26 years Vaccination before surgery	Post-hoc-analysis (FUTURE I an II) Follow-up 2.5 years (median)
	CIN2+ (HPV 16, 18)	Quadri-valent	1/474 (0.2)	3/592 (0.51)	61.3 [-382.4 to 99.3]		retrospectively
Garland et al.	CIN2+ (HPV-type independent)	Bivalent	1/190 (0.53)	9/264 (3.41)	88.2 [14.8-99.7]	Age 15-25 years Vaccination before surgery	Post-hoc analysis PATRICIA prospective randomization
	CIN 2+ (HPV 16, 18)	Bivalent	0/190 (0)	4/265 (1.51)	100 (-63.1–100)		Follow-up 4 years
Kang et al.	CIN2+ (HPV-type independent)	Quadri-valent	9/360 (2.5)	27/377 (7.2)	65.1 (p < 0.05)	Age 20-45 years Vaccination after surgery	Retrospective Follow-up 3.5 years (median)
	CIN2+ (HPV16, 18)	Quadri-valent	5/197 (2.5)	18/211 (8.5)	70.2 (p < 0.01)		
Ghelardi et al.	CIN2+ (HPV-type independent)	Quadri-valent	2/172 (1.2)	11/172 (6.4)	81.2 [34.3-95.7]	Age 18-45 years Vaccination after surgery	Prospective, non-randomized Follow-up 36 years (median)
Hildesheim et al.	CIN2+ (HPV-type independent)	Bivalent	3/142 (2.11)	2/169 (1.18)	"No significant effect"	Age 18–25 years Vaccination after surgery	Randomized double blind clin trial of 7466 Costa Rican won (NCI)
	CIN 2+ (HPV 16,18)	Bivalent	3/142 (2.11)	1/169 (0.59)	n.a.		Follow-up 57 mo. (HPV +), 27 mo. (LEEP)
Pieralli et al.	CIN 2+ (HPV-type independent)	Quadri-valent	0/89 (0)	4/89 (4.49)	n.a. for CIN 2+	Age < 45 years Vaccination after surgery	Prospective, randomized Not blinded Follow-up 3 years
	LSIL	Quadri-valent	3/89 (3.37)	8/89 (8.99)	3.4% vs. 13.5% Recurrence (p = 0.0147) NNT 10		
Sand et al.	CIN 2+ (HPV type independent)	Bi-/Quadri-valent	82/2074 (3.95) 14/399 (3.51) (before LEEP) 68/1675 (4.06) (after LEEP)	777/15054 (5.16)	HR 0.86 [0.67-1.09]	Age 17–51 years Vaccination before (0– 3 months) or after (0– 12 months) surgery	Prospective, cohort study (nationwide registry)
Petrillo et al.	CIN 2+ (HPV independent)	Bi-/Quadri-valent	6/182 (3.29)	14/182 (7.69)	3.3% vacc vs. 13.6% non-vacc = HR 0.24	Age 32-47 Vaccination after (0- 1 month) after surgery	Retrospective Follow-up 2 years
	CIN 1+	Bi-/Quadri-valent	13/182 (7.14)	17/103 (16.50)	7.1% vacc vs. 16.5% non-vacc = HR 0.43		
ind	independent)	Bi-/Quadri- valent	5/103 (4.85)	22/139 (15.83)	4.8% vacc vs. 15.8% non vacc = HR 0.3	Age 18-65 Vaccination before or after (0-1 month) surgery	Retrospective Follow-up 2 years
	CIN 2 + (HPV 16,18)	Bi-/Quadri- valent	3/51 (5.88)	15/69 (21.74)	5.8% vacc vs. 21.7% non vacc = HR 0.27		
Del Pino et al.	CIN 2+ (HPV independent)	Bi-/Quadri-valent	5/153 (3.27)	12/112 (10.71)	3.3% vacc vs. 10.7% non vacc = HR 0.31	Age 26–64 Vaccination after (0– 12 months) surgery	Prospective Follow up 22.4 months media



Conclusion: Meta-analysis showed a significant risk reduction of developing recurrent cervical intraepithelial neoplasia after surgical excision and HPV vaccination compared to surgical excision only.

Secondary prophylaxis





Human Papillomavirus Vaccination Prior to Loop Electroexcision Procedure Does Not Prevent Recurrent Cervical High-grade Squamous Intraepithelial Lesions in Women Living With Human Immunodeficiency Virus: A Randomized, Double-blind, Placebo-controlled Trial

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Randomized, double blinded, placebo-controlled

HPV4v, FU 1 years

n= 174, median age 39 years

CD4 489, nadir 116 /µL, HIVRNA <50 cp/ml in 93%

No decrease in recurrence rate

BUT no data on HPV genotypes

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HPV vaccination to prevent recurrence of anal intraepithelial neoplasia in HIV+ MSM

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Randomized, double blinded, placebo-controlled HPV4v, FU untill 12 months after vaccination N=126, median age 49 years

CD4 700/µL, nadir 240 /µL

HIVRNA <50 cp/ml in 95%

HPV Vaccination after Primary Treatment of HPV-Related Disease across Different Organ Sites: A Multidisciplinary Comprehensive Review and Meta-Analysis

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Objective: To assess evidence on the efficacy of adjuvant human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination in patients treated for HPV-related disease across different susceptible organ sites. Methods: A systematic review was conducted to identify studies addressing the efficacy of adjuvant HPV vaccination on reducing the risk of recurrence of HPV-related preinvasive diseases. Results were reported as mean differences or pooled odds ratios (OR) with 95% confidence intervals (95% CI). Results: Sixteen studies were identified for the final analysis. Overall, 21,472 patients with cervical dysplasia were included: 4132 (19.2%) received the peri-operative HPV vaccine, while 17,340 (80.8%) underwent surgical treatment alone. The recurrences of CIN 1+ (OR 0.45, 95% CI 0.27 to 0.73; p = 0.001), CIN 2+ (OR 0.33, 95% CI 0.20 to 0.52; p < 0.0001), and CIN 3 (OR 0.28, 95% CI 0.13 to 0.59; p = 0.0009) were lower in the vaccinated than in unvaccinated group. Similarly, adjuvant vaccination reduced the risk of developing anal intraepithelial neoplasia (p = 0.005) and recurrent respiratory papillomatosis (p = 0.004). No differences in anogenital warts and vulvar intraepithelial neoplasia recurrence rate were observed comparing vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals.

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No de Conclusions: Adjuvant HPV vaccination is associated with a reduced risk of CIN recurrence, although there are limited data regarding its role in other HPV-related diseases. Further research is warranted to shed more light on the role of HPV vaccination as adjuvant therapy after primary treatment.

European Cancer Organization: Recommendations on HPV Vaccination



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- By 2025, all European country cancer plans should include actions towards achieving population-based and gender-neutral HPV vaccination, if not already in place.
- By 2030, gender-neutral vaccination programmes against HPV infection should be in place in all European countries.
- The target vaccination rate by 2030 in all European countries should be at least 90% of adolescents of both genders completing the full course.
- Supplementary to gender-neutral vaccination programmes, consideration should be given to the needs of high-risk groups, including men who have sex with men, migrants and sex workers, that may otherwise fall outside of the age parameters of the universal vaccination programme.
- Consideration should be given to extending routine vaccination programmes to older age groups on a gender-neutral basis.

Possible barriers

- Cost
- Not being fully reimbursed
- Not in the national guidelines
- Fear of side effects
- General attitude against vaccination
- Health care providers don't encourage vaccination
- Guidelines not being properly disseminated among health care providers
- Lack of knowledge/awareness among people who would benefit from HPV vaccine
- Shortage of vaccines, stockouts

If there was a vaccine to prevent cancer, would you get it for your kids?



For more information about the HPV vaccine, talk to your child's healthcare provider, local health department or pharmacist. 1-800-275-0659 | www.immunize-utah.org



