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Cervical Cancer HPV Vaccine

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Summary:

Gardasil is a recently released vaccine aimed at protecting women against cervical cancer and

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Article Body:

Gardasil:

Cervical cancer is caused by a virus many people get in their teens and 20s. Now there is a v

What is HPV?

HPV (human papillomavirus) is a common virus that affects both females and males. There are a

Genital HPV:

About 30 types of HPV affect the genital area.

- Some are **high-risk** types (such as HPV Types 16 and 18) that can cause abnormal cervical ce

- Others are **low-risk** types (such as HPV Types 6 and 11) that can cause genital warts.

Genital Warts:

Genital warts are usually flesh-colored growths that are most often caused by certain **low-risk**

More common than you might think:

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that 80% of women will have had genital HPV by

A cancer vaccine?

Gardasil is a vaccine that helps protect against the following diseases (these are diseases ca

- Cervical cancer
- Abnormal and precancerous cervical lesions
- Abnormal and precancerous vaginal lesions
- Genital warts

Gardasil is indicated for girls and women ages 9 through 26. The vaccine is given as a series

What about women of other ages and men?

The main purpose Gardasil is to protect women against the HPV types that cause cervical cancer

The age range for women is based on the fact that HPV is a sexually transmitted virus that mos

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