

Mayo Clinic Minute

Doctors urge use of HPV vaccine

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	Inside this syringe is a vaccine that can prevent cancers caused by a virus called HPV.
	It's human papillomavirus.
	Dr. Greg Poland says this inoculation will protect these kids against genital warts and a host of cancers caused by the HPV virus.
Title: GREG POLAND, M.D. VACCINE RESEARCH GROUP Mayo Clinic	Cervical cancer, labial cancer, vagina cancer, anal cancer, penile cancer; it's just one after another.
	The newest version of the HPV vaccine protects against nine types of the virus.
Graphic: MOST EFFECTIVE Preteens and teens Not yet sexually active	It's most effective when administered to preteens and teens who aren't yet sexually active.
	Boys and girls between 9 and 15 really have great immune responses to this. They still respond between 15 and 26.
	Dr. Poland says the HPV virus is widespread, and everyone is at risk of infection.
	Our only chance, since there is no cure for this, is to prevent the infection.
Graphic: newsnetwork.mayoclinic.org	For the Mayo Clinic News Network, I'm Jeff Olsen.