



HPV Roundtable Website is Live

After much anticipation, we are happy to announce the HPV Roundtable website is officially online! Here is the link: [National HPV Vaccination Roundtable – American Cancer Society](#). On the website you will find general information about the HPV Vaccination Roundtable, HPV vaccination and cancer, announcements, a list of our member organizations, as well as how to get involved. We are still working on our resources page and look forward to sharing more information soon.

Task Groups Update

The *Provider Training Task Group* has divided into five subgroups in an effort to work on projects simultaneously. One subgroup will work with Society's HPV VACs program to review their existing searchable clearinghouse for existing HPV vaccination-related resources and information, including provider education and training work, Continuing Education Units (e.g., CMEs), Maintenance of Certification (MOCs), and Quality Improvement (QI). Another subgroup is collaborating with the Survivor Involvement Task Group to create video clips of providers who treat oropharyngeal cancers. The remaining three subgroups will focus on QI for family physicians and pediatricians, as well as CEUs/CMEs for AFIX and office detail visits.

The HPV Vaccination Roundtable welcomes Paul Throne as the new *Electronic Health Records/Registries (EHR) Task Group* chair. The task group's proposed project is to create an EHR Gold Standard for what an EHR needs to improve HPV vaccination uptake. A guide will be created that includes a list of functionality and standard components to better track, report, recall, and remind providers and clients of the need to initiate or return for HPV vaccination dosage. This will be split into two perspectives which ask different questions: the provider perspective, "What should providers be asking for when EHRs are being built or updated?" and the industry perspective, "What should be standard across vaccination reporting and data sharing needs?"

HPV Roundtable Website Resources

If you have a resource, you would like to submit, please see our [HPV Tools and Resources](#) page for submission criteria.

Partner Spotlight

The **American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)** is a provider organization with more than 56,000 members providing health care to women. ACOG provides resources and recommendations about HPV vaccination to women's health care physicians and the public. One such resource is the [Immunization for Women](#) website created and maintained by ACOG to provide OB-GYNs and their patients with a central, trusted source of up-to-date information on vaccine-preventable diseases, including HPV. In September 2014, ACOG released its first HPV tool kit which included resources for providers including ACOG guidance on HPV vaccination, FAQs for patients, an infographic poster, and the CDC's You Are the Key campaign talking points. In July 2015, ACOG revised and released the Human Papillomavirus [Committee Opinion](#), which outlines the role of the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in the prevention of cervical cancer, as well as other anogenital cancers and genital warts. This guidance also includes information about the bivalent, quadrivalent, and 9-valent HPV vaccines, as well as specific recommendations for pregnant and lactating women.

Resources

The Food and Drug Administration recently published [Vaccines for Children—A Guide for Parents and Caregivers](#) on its website. The free guide is available in English and Spanish, and covers topics including benefits and risks of vaccination, types of routinely administered vaccines for children, steps to take when your child is vaccinated, and common questions about vaccines from parents and caregivers.

Medical Assistants Resources and Training on Immunization (MARTi) released a [newsletter](#) this month that focuses on back-to-school vaccination and new ACIP recommendations.

The "[HPV Vaccination Quality Improvement Projects and Implementation Science Working Together, For the Win!](#)" recording of the webinar, presented by Dr. Brian Mittman, Dr. Alix Casler and Ms. Kia Redwine on Friday September 18, 2015, is now available on the CDC's YouTube Channel.

The Association of Immunization Managers' (AIM) [Vaccine Facts and Policy \(VFAP\) interactive](#) website was just updated to include latest AIM, Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) and national information that characterizes the immunization environment of 64 U.S. jurisdictions for the following topics: coverage rates, exemption policies from school entry requirements, medical and non-medical exemption rates, and immunization program activities to address vaccine hesitancy/confidence.

HPV Vaccination in the News

[Why Public Schools Should Require the HPV Vaccine, Harvard Health Publications](#) - Rhode Island is making headlines as the first state to mandate HPV vaccination of all seventh graders. The [requirement](#) went into effect at the beginning of this school year.

[Factors Associated with Increased HPV Vaccine Use in Rural-Frontier U.S. States](#) -An analysis of CDC data shows older parental ages (45 years and above) showed lower prevalence of adolescent HPV vaccination initiation and completion, and seventeen-year-old adolescents showed highest prevalence of initiating compared to 13-year-old adolescents.

[Vaccinating Sons Against HPV: Results from a U.S. National Survey of Parents](#) - Taylor, et al. collected web-based survey data from a U.S. national sample of parents and legal guardians with sons 11-17 years of age to determine behavioral and sociodemographic factors that predict receipt of HPV vaccination. Results showed that sons who had received flu shots in the last two years and whose parents had discussed sexual health topics with them were more likely to have received the HPV vaccine. The authors also found that sons covered by private health insurance were less likely to receive HPV vaccination.

[Physician Communication about Adolescent Vaccination: How is Human Papillomavirus Vaccine Different?](#) - Gilkey, et al. collected data from an online survey of a national sample of 776 U.S. physicians, to assess physicians' perceptions and communication practices related to recommending adolescent vaccines for 11- and 12-year-old patients. 73 percent of physicians reported recommending HPV vaccine as highly important for patients ages 11-12, compared to 95 percent recommending Tdap, and 87 percent recommending meningococcal vaccines as highly important for this age group. Physicians also reported that discussing HPV vaccine took almost twice as long as discussing Tdap. Among physicians with a preferred order for discussing adolescent vaccines, 70 percent discussed HPV vaccine last. In light of the results, the authors indicate that communication strategies are needed to support physicians in recommending HPV vaccine with greater confidence and efficiency.

[Doctors, Not Parents, Are the Biggest Obstacle to the HPV Vaccine](#) - National Public Radio reported on Gilkey, et al.'s findings. The article summarizes the findings, and is a great way to share the information with members of the public.

Introducing HPV Vaccination Roundtable Steering Committee Members

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