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Celebrate Cervical Cancer Awareness Month in January!

Happy New Year! January is Cervical Cancer Awareness Month, an opportunity to support those affected by cervical cancer and to spread awareness about preventing human papillomavirus (HPV)-related cancers. While HPV vaccine has been available since 2006, many are still not aware that HPV infection is common and can lead many cancers prevented by HPV vaccine, including cervical, vaginal, and vulvar cancers in females, penile cancer in males, and oral and anal cancers in all.

Support Survivors. Prevent HPV Cancers

If telling my story protects one person, I have done my job."

Kimberly's HPV Story
Watch at shotbyshot.org

St. Jude Hospital
CA Immunization Coalition

ShotByShot.org

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
HPV Cancer Prevention Program

Cancer survivor Kimberly Williams went public with how she was diagnosed with cervical cancer, how common it is and how it can be prevented. She quickly took on the role of advocate, promoting awareness, breaking down stigma, and championing HPV cancer prevention. Watch [Kimberly's Story](#) (1:20 minute video) on shotbyshot.org. Share it with your team or with patients!

Take inspiration from Kimberly to make sure your preteen patients—regardless of gender—and their parents get a strong recommendation from their most trusted source: a pediatrician or family doctor. HPV vaccination may start at age 9 and should be completed before age 13.

Resources for your staff

Talking to Parents About HPV Vaccine (CDC)

#How I Recommend videos for HPV vaccine (CDC)

Top 10 Tips for HPV Vaccination Success (CDC)

HPV Vaccine Appointment Reminder Card | Spanish

Parents, Did You Know HPV Causes...? Poster (11X17) or (8.5X11) | Spanish
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Stories from other HPV cancer survivors are at www.shotbyshot.org

Resources for your patients

How Important Is HPV Vaccine for Preteens and Teens flyer | Spanish | Chinese |
Hmong | Russian | Tagalog | Ukrainian

Fotonovela for Latino parents of preteens (English/Spanish)

Fact Sheet for parents (CDC) | Spanish

Thank you for all you do to protect your patients from HPV-related cancers!

Reminder: Weekly CDPH Immunization Updates for Providers

Please join CDPH tomorrow from 9:00AM - 10:30AM for the weekly CDPH Immunization Updates for Providers webinar series. CDPH subject matter experts will provide updates, resources, and answer attendees' vaccine questions.

Please ensure someone from your staff attends to hear relevant and timely updates.

Tomorrow, Friday, January 5, from 9:00AM - 10:30AM

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