CANCER PREVENTION
HPV vaccination can protect against the types of HPV that cause most cases of cancer of the cervix

PROTECTIVE
Age 11 to 12 (Target Age)
Most effective for girls and boys when vaccinated at this age

Through age 26 (Catch-up Age)
Provides protection for people even if sexually active

Older than 26
Talk with your doctor about HPV vaccination if you have not been vaccinated and are at risk of a new HPV infection.

EFFECTIVE AGAINST MULTIPLE TYPES OF CANCER
HPV vaccination also protects against the infections that can cause cancer of the vagina, vulva, anus/rectum, throat, and penis

SAFE
Millions of people have received the HPV vaccine without serious adverse effects

GET THE FACTS
- HPV infections are very common, and 8 in 10 people will get one in their lives.
- HPV vaccination is not linked to more or earlier sexual activity.
- HPV vaccine is given in a series of two or three shots over several months, depending on your age.
- It is still important to be screened for cervical cancer starting at age 21.
- In addition to cancer, the HPV vaccine also protects against genital warts in males and females.