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VACCINE POINTS

“Vaccine Points” is a bi-monthly communication distributed by the Hawaii Department of Health to all participating Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers.

TRANSITION FROM HPV4 TO HPV9

HPV9 is now available through the Hawaii VFC Program, replacing the quadrivalent HPV vaccine (HPV4).

- Similar to HPV4, HPV9 contains HPV types 6, 11, 16, and 18 (in the U.S., approximately 64% of invasive HPV-associated cancers are attributable to HPV 16 or 18).
- HPV9 targets five additional types (31, 33, 45, 52, 58), which account for about 15% of cervical cancers.
- The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has not stated a preference for any of the HPV vaccines currently licensed in the United States.

Providers with HPV4-stock in their office who prefer to vaccinate their VFC patients with HPV9 should order HPV9 through the Hawaii Immunization Registry (HIR).

When administering HPV9, provide the HPV Vaccine Gardasil®-9 Vaccine Information Statement <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/vis-statements/hpv-gardasil-9.pdf>.

To reduce missed opportunities for timely HPV vaccination, vaccinate adolescents with whatever HPV vaccine you currently have in stock.

Resources:

Use of 9-Valent Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine: Updated HPV Vaccination Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6411a3.htm>

HPV Vaccine Gardasil®-9 Vaccine Information Statement
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If you have any questions, please call the Hawaii VFC Program at 586-8300 or toll free, 1-800-933-4832 (Neighbor Islands).

