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Tweet Chat about HPV vaccination

Ask your questions about HPV vaccination and get answers from an expert! #AskHPV



DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT HPV VACCINATION?

Join our Tweet chat on **26th October**, at **10:00am** on Twitter, using the hashtag [#AskHPV](#) to ask your questions to an expert!

This is a great opportunity to grow your knowledge and to get answers to your questions! |

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Welcome everybody! Get into with your questions using [#AskHPV](#) :)


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@emma_kollatou


How can we improve efficacy of [#vaccination](#) against [#HPV](#)? Should men be vaccinated as well? [#AskHPV](#) @EU_Healthparl [#MakeHealthGreatAgain](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) Efficacy of vaccine is very good e.g. for one recommend vaccine is at 98% for HPV types 16 and 18. [#AskHPV](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) There are many strains of HPV and HPV types 16 and 18 are most common causing about 70% of cervical cancers. (2) [#AskHPV](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) But new variations of the vaccine are coming on stream to address more types of HPV (types 31, 33, 45, 52, and 58), [#AskHPV](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) which can further enhance the impact of the vaccine (4) [#AskHPV](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) There is a growing consensus for boys to be vaccinated too. (5) [#AskHPV](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) This may help reduce certain preconceptions about the vaccine and make it more acceptable in come countries&cultures [#askhvp](#)

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[@CancerLeagues](#) [#AskHPV](#) Do [#vaccination](#) programs target only women? Would prevention be more efficient if it includes Men? [#MakeHealthGreatAgain](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) In the united states the HPV vaccine is recommended to boys & girls aged 11-12. #AskHPV

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[@emma_kollatou](#) Boys can transmit the virus to girls leading to cervix cancer (...) #AskHPV

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[@emma_kollatou](#) (...) and can be harmed by HPV itself by developing genital warts, cancer of head & neck. #AskHPV

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[@emma_kollatou](#) However, in the UK a decision was recently taken not to extend the vaccine to boys (...) #AskHPV

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[@emma_kollatou](#) (...) on the grounds that it was “highly unlikely to be cost-effective” #AskHPV

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[@emma_kollatou](#) In the EU, only Austria recommends both boys and girls to be vaccinated, although at their own expense. #AskHPV

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 **Anna Mayer**
@mrsannamayer

When is the right time to vaccinate against HPV? #AskHPV #vaccination
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@mrsannamayer Q2. The schedule of the vaccine varies from country to country. #AskHPV.

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@mrsannamayer Q2. As it does not treat existing infections, it is recommended to be given before the onset of sexual activity. #AskHPV

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@mrsannamayer Q2. Typically, the vaccination is provided to girls around the age of 12 years old. #AskHPV

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@mrsannamayer Q2. But it can also be recommended to women up to the age of around 25. #askhpv

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Check out the ECDC vaccine scheduler to learn more at the country level vaccine-schedule.ecdc.europa.eu/Pages/Scheduler #askhpv

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**Emma Kollatou**

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#AskHPV What is the % of women with #HPV in EU and what is the % of women who develop #cervicalcancer? @EU_Healthparl #MakeHealthGreatAgain


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@emma_kollatou Q3. First remember that it's not just women who carry HPV, it is also present in men too. #askhpv

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[@emma_kollatou](#) Q3. Current estimates state each year 58,373 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer and 24,404 die from this. [#askhpv](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) This makes cervical cancer the sixth most frequent cancer among women in Europe. [#askhpv](#)

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[@emma_kollatou](#) Although the burden of the disease varies from country to country. [#askhpv](#)

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 **Anna Mayer**
@mrsannamayer


[#AskHPV](#) [#fact](#): Cervical cancer is the 4th most common [#female](#) [#cancer](#) in women aged 15 to 44 years in [#Austria](#).

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[@emma_kollatou](#) Q3. Some estimates suggest that around 50% of women become infected with HPV by age 20-30 years. [#askhpv](#)

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 **Emma Woodford**
@EmmaHoeilaart


[#AskHPV](#) my daughter is in the process of having her [#HPVvaccine](#) we opted for more comprehensive option 1/2

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@EmmaHoeilaart


2/2 [#AskHPV](#) but it's not available on Belgian reimbursement Others can only afford older version. How can MS avoid this inequality in future?

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Decisions over which specific vaccine to use are national decisions to be taken by each country.
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Essential standards are guaranteed across each MS so you can be sure of the safety in each country. [#askhvp](#)

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As newer versions of the vaccine are used by MS this may lead to more MS adopting them in their programmes 1/2 [#askhvp](#)

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based on the results and experiences of other countries. 2/2 [#askhvp](#)

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:2It's possible that in the future joint procurement agreements among the member states could be invoked 1/2 [#askhvp](#)

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to have collective agreements to get the newest and most effective vaccines 1/2 [#askhvp](#)

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@dievouchkalau


Is there any online platform where people could find all the information about the HPV vaccine?
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The European Code against Cancer recommends that girls take part in HPV vaccination.
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Check the Q&A pages at cancer-code-europe.iarc.fr to learn more. [#askhpv](#)

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Check the European Commission page at ec.europa.eu/health/vaccina... [#askhpv](#)

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Check the European Medicine Agency at ema.europa.eu/ema/index.jsp [#askhpv](#)

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and the “HPV board” at the University of Antwerp uantwerpen.be/en/projects/hp... [#askhpv](#)

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[#AskHPV](#) [#fact](#): [#Cervical](#) [#cancer](#) ranks as the 13th leading cause of female cancer deaths in [#Austria](#). [@CancerLeagues](#)

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 **Anna Mayer**
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So only girls and women should get the vaccination? [#AskHPV](#) [@cancercode](#) [@CancerLeagues](#) [twitter.com/CancerLeagues/...](https://twitter.com/CancerLeagues/)

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Code Against Cancer

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@mrsannamayer @CancerLeagues Hi Anna, we suggest that people follow the recommendations of their country e.g. in Austria boys are vaccinated too. 1/2



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@mrsannamayer @CancerLeagues If one wishes to have a son vaccinated in other countries, they should contact their doctor/GP or other healthcare provider to discuss 2/2



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This is the end of this Tweet Chat, thank you very much for your questions! #askhvp



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