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FROM: HQ USAF/SG3

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SUBJECT: Human Papillomavirus Vaccination Policy

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination of females 11-12 years of age, with catch-up vaccination of females 13-26 years of age. AFMS policy is to follow these recommendations.

Female recruits will be educated and offered HPV vaccination at the first duty station. First Term Airmen Class may be used to target educational interventions. Officer accessions may be educated and offered HPV vaccination at their accession site or first duty station. Cadets may be advised to be vaccinated prior to attending the Air Force Academy or will be educated and offered the vaccine upon in-processing.

Females in the appropriate age range will be identified by a colored prompt in AFCITA when eligible for HPV vaccination. PCMs will educate and offer the vaccine during the Preventive Health Assessment. HPV vaccination will not be formally tracked or impact IMR.

MDGs should target their HPV vaccination efforts toward 11-12 year old females; this being the optimal age for vaccination. When vaccine availability limits beneficiary access, beneficiaries will be reminded of the vaccine availability through TRICARE. HPV vaccination is *strongly* recommended but not required for School Age Programs attendance.

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