Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine Project Newsletter
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Prince William Health District (PWHD) continues to work with community partners in an effort to increase HPV vaccination and improve HPV messaging. Multiple Health Care Provider Education Sessions are being offered in the Greater Prince William Area this spring.

Upcoming Events:

In-Person HPV Education Sessions providing Continuing Education credits

The HPV Project Group strives to empower local Health Care Providers and Pharmacists by partnering with VCU to offer continuing educational credits for Health Care Providers, Nurses and Pharmacists. All office staff are welcome to attend.

Sessions focus on:
• HPV and HPV Vaccine
• CDC’s Best Practices for making a strong HPV vaccine recommendation

Register Now! You Are the Key to HPV Cancer Prevention Education Sessions.
To register please email Julie Mandese at julie.mandese@vdh.virginia.gov. Please be sure to leave your phone number and she will call you back to facilitate registration by phone.

Two sessions available:

April 26, 2016, 12:00 – 1:15
Chinn Park Regional Library, Trustees’ Room
13065 Chinn Park Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22192
Presenter: Anastasia Williams, M.D., F.A.A.P.
Olde Towne Pediatrics

April 27, 2016, 12:00 – 1:15
Bull Run Regional Library, Community Room
8051 Ashton Avenue, Manassas, VA 20109
Presenter: Carmen Martinez, PAC
Greater Prince William Community Center

This activity has been approved for 1.0 hour of AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ or participants may receive up to 1.0 ACPE contact hours.
Free lunch will be provided!
Upcoming Events:

**Merck sponsored HPV Dinner Program**
Merck Vaccines will be holding a medical presentation dinner program in early June. Health Care Providers in the Greater Prince William Area will be invited to attend, enjoy a complimentary dinner with their peers and have the opportunity to learn more about HPV-related diseases and strategies to help prevent them. Additional information coming soon!

**NCCC Event at George Mason University (GMU)**
In honor of Cervical Cancer Awareness Month, the NCCC, Prince William Chapter partnered with GMU to host the screening of *Someone You Love: The HPV Epidemic* at the cinema on their Fairfax campus on January 19th. Co-chairs of NCCC Bobby and Alegra Woodard spoke to attendees regarding experience with Cervical Cancer. A panel of members was established for audience questions. The panel included Ms. Woodard, Dr. Julia Painter, Assistant Professor, GMU and HPV Researcher, Lisa Smith, Senior Marketing Manager, Hologic (makers of ThinPrep pap test kits) and Jennifer Willson, PHN, Sr., PWHD. Pictures are available online at the [NCCC Prince William County Facebook link](#).

**Novant Health Regional Medical Center, Hospital Grant Rounds**
The first of two Hospital Grand Rounds sessions presenting CDC’s *You are the Key to HPV Cancer Prevention* was held at Novant on March 31st. Dr. Anastasia Williams of Olde Towne Pediatrics presented HPV and HPV vaccine information to a group of health care providers.

Recent Happenings:

**January was Cervical Health Awareness Month!**
Alegra Woodard, co-chair of the National Cervical Cancer Coalition (NCCC) and HPV Committee Member initiated the topic of requesting a Cervical Health Proclamation. Dr. Ansher, PWHD Health Director, facilitated this by requesting the proclamations through the various cities and counties within the Greater Prince William Area. This resulted in the issuing and reading this past January of the proclamation by Frank Jones, Mayor, City of Manassas Park on January 5th and Corey A. Stewart, Chairman, Board of Prince William County Supervisors on January 12th. Ms. Woodard and Kelly Andrews, PHN, Sr., PWHD, attended each event and had an opportunity to discuss the impact of cervical cancer to the audience. Signed proclamations for NCCC and PWHD were received for display; each has been posted to FB pages ([Prince William County Proclamation](#) and [City of Manassas Park Proclamation](#)).

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**HPV Messaging:**

*The HPV Project Group Continues to Spread the Word that HPV Vaccine is Cancer Prevention!*

**Coming Soon!** HPV Print Materials for Providers - *Posters, Palm Cards and Toolkit*
- Providing resources for Health Care Providers with a focus on HPV vaccine messaging
- Assists with guiding conversations with parents

For more information or to request print materials, please contact the HPV Project Office by calling 703-792-7304.

**Check out other HPV Messaging!**

Increased HPV messaging since January 2016:
- **Facebook**, **Twitter**, PSA's (*Cervical Cancer is Preventable*, *Jackie’s Story*, *Cote de Pablo: I Was Lucky* and *NCCC Survivor*) and the *Prince William Health District (PWHD) website*.
- Additional sample messaging with Health Care Providers will be included in the Provider Toolkit.

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**HPV Education:**

- **Immunization: You Call the Shots**
  - Module Eight: HPV - 2016 (Web Based)
  - Register here.
- **NNPTC Online Case Series: Case 4 - HPV** (Web-based)
  - Register here.
- **Self Study STD Module: Human Papillomavirus (HPV)** (Web-based)
  - Register here.
- **HPV general training – resources for clinicians**
  - Register here.
- **The Power to Prevent Cancer: Important Updates on the HPV Vaccine**
  - Register here.
- **National AHEC Organization trainings**
  - Register here.
- **You tube video - CDC Grand Rounds Beyond the Data: Reducing the Burden of HPV**
  - Register here.
- **You Are the Key presentation**
  - Register here.

From [Medscape Education Infectious Diseases](https://www.medscape.com) *HPV Vaccine: A Shot of Cancer Prevention*  
Register here.
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Adolescent Immunization Communications Team is proud to present the “Research Project Update: AFIX Program Strategies for Improving HPV Vaccination Rates in the Field” webinar. Join us on Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 1:00PM ET. Assistant Professor of Population Medicine at Harvard Medical School & Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute, Dr. Melissa Gilkey will discuss the tools and strategies that were used by the participating AFIX programs for improving HPV vaccination rates in the field. During this webinar, Dr. Gilkey will be joined by Chrystal Averette of the Washington Department of Health who will share how, as part of this project, Washington State is implementing specific strategies around reminder/recall and AFIX in order to increase HPV vaccination rates. To register for this event, visit here.

Print materials for clinicians