# Increasing HPV Vaccine Uptake by Expanding HPV Vaccine Providers

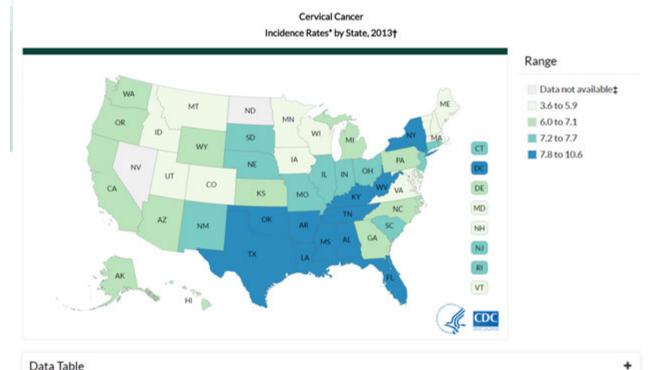
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#### We Know the Problem

#### Rates of Getting Cervical Cancer by State

The number of people who get cervical cancer is called **cervical cancer incidence**. In the United States, the rate of getting cervical cancer varies from state to state.



Plus Cancers of: Vulva Vagina Penis Anus Oropharynx

HPV thought to cause 5% of all new cancers globally

\*Rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

#Rates are not shown if the state did not meet USCS publication criteria or if the state did not submit data to CDC.

†Source: U.S. Cancer Statistics Working Group. <u>United States Cancer Statistics</u>: 1999-2013 <u>Incidence and Mortality Web-based Report</u>, Atlanta (GA): Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and National Cancer Institute; 2016. <u>Available at: http://www.cdc.gov/uscs</u>.



#### We Know a Solution

 For a decade we have had a vaccination that can prevent future cancers.





# We Know the Reality

- Goal: 80% set by Healthy People 2020
  - In 2014: only 40% of eligible girls, 22% of eligible boys had been vaccinated





# We Know the Reality

- "We clamor and clamor for a vaccine to get rid of these terrible disease and yet we aren't implementing them." Amy Pisani, Executive Director of Every Child by Two.
- "Our society keeps talking about finding 'the cure for cancer.' Frankly, this is as close as it gets — it prevents cancer." Dr. Tanguy Seiwert, University of Chicago.





#### We Know the Problem

- Many primary care providers and pediatricians don't approach HPV vaccines as matter-of-factly as other vaccines or in a way that conveys the importance
- National study of doctors showed ¼ did not strongly support the need for the HPV vaccination





#### We Know the Problem

- Association of this vaccination to sex
- General concerns re: vaccinations
- Cancer is not an immediate result of HPV
- Even with legislation, uptake is not increasing
- Not completing the series of 3 vaccinations





# In Addition to Physicians

- Nurse practitioners who spent more time with adolescents in their practice more likely to suggest immunization
- Survey of 10, 521 mothers who were nurses:
  - 8832 completed the survey, 7207 had daughters
    - 48% would vaccinate a 9-12 year old daughter
    - 68% would vaccinate a 13-15 year old daughter
    - 86% would vaccinate a 16-18 year old daughter
- Survey of nurse practitioners
  - Least favorable vaccine example: 11 year old boy and no recommendation from AAP re this scenario



#### Some Worrisome Statistics

- Youth Risk Behavior Survey: 34.4% of 9<sup>th</sup> graders have engaged in intercourse
- Chlamydia study: 27.5% of 14 year olds
- 14 million new HPV infections annually
  - ~50% of sexually active men and women will get HPV
  - ~50% occur in women, 15-24
  - ~100% of cervical cancer is related to HPV





### Some Good News

Only 2 injections now needed





# Typical Opportunities for Vaccination

- Healthcare provider of the preteen/teen
  - Pediatrician
  - Primary care physician, NP
- School-based clinics
- FQHC





#### Barriers at the Provider Practice

• Is the pressure on the provider's schedule (15 minute appointments) a barrier for discussions about the HPV vaccination especially when there is parent ambivalence or resistance?





#### Considerations for Providers

- Normalize the need for the vaccination include it as one of a group of vaccinations
- Provide education material that focuses on cancer prevention
- Vaccine only appointments with RN or LPN
- Apply strategies from veterinarians
  - Postcards, E-mail, text prompts
- Have all staff in the practice educated about the importance of the HPV vaccination (any one could support or deter the parent)



# Opportunities to Expand Providers

- School nurses & school based sex education
- NPs and PAs who provide sports physicals for middle school/high school
- Pharmacists Pharmacy Clinics
- Oncology providers
  - Patients with HPV related cancers
  - Patients with preteen/teen children
- Community Health Fairs
- Professional organizations
  - Oncology Nursing Society



# Nursing Workforce

- Professionally active RNs and LPNs > 4 million (1)
  - 220,000 NPs (2)
    - $\sim 65\%$  in primary or pediatric care
  - 61,000 73,000 school nurses (3)

- (1) <a href="http://kff.org/other/state-indicator/total-registered-nurses/?currentTimeframe=0&sortModel=%7B%22colId%22:%22Location%22,%22sort%22:%22asc%22%7D">http://kff.org/other/state-indicator/total-registered-nurses/?currentTimeframe=0&sortModel=%7B%22colId%22:%22Location%22,%22sort%22:%22asc%22%7D</a>
- (2) <a href="https://www.aanp.org/all-about-nps/np-fact-sheet">https://www.aanp.org/all-about-nps/np-fact-sheet</a>
- (3) <a href="https://www.nasn.org/AboutNASN/FrequentlyAskedQuestions">https://www.nasn.org/AboutNASN/FrequentlyAskedQuestions</a>



# Physician Assistant Workforce

- 108,000+ certified PAs at end of 2015
  - $\sim 28\%$  are in primary or pediatric care

https://www.nccpa.net/Uploads/docs/2015StatisticalProfileofCertifiedPhysicianAssistants.pdf



#### Retail Pharmacist Workforce

- > 295,000 pharmacists
  - $\sim 128,000$  in health and personal care stores
- Increasing number of pharmacy clinics increasing access
  - CVS Minute Clinic
  - Walgreen's Take Care

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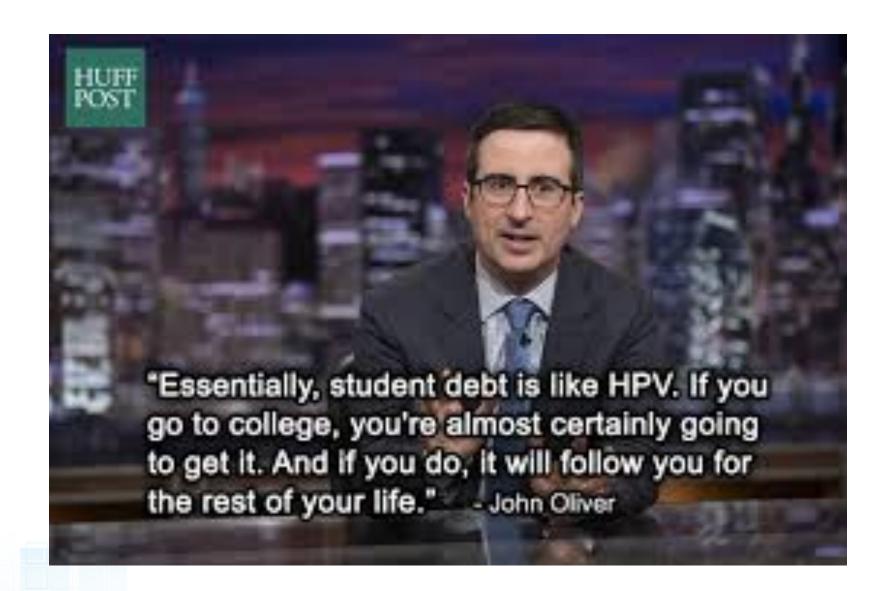


# Longer View

- Education of health professionals
  - Understanding of vaccinations and the immune system
  - Engaging in crucial conversations
- Developing the convincing "call to action" for parents (carrot) vs. mandating through legislation (stick)









### Thank You



