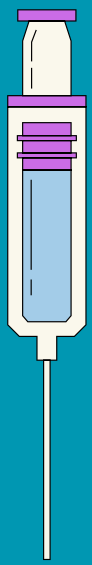


Protecting Young Girls from Cervical Cancer HPV VACCINATION

Why Vaccinate Young Girls?

Cervical cancer is caused by a virus called HPV. Cervical cancer can be prevented by HPV vaccination. If girls are vaccinated at school it can stop cervical cancer developing in the future.



What happens to the body when vaccinated?

A health worker will give an injection in the upper arm. Then girls will rest for 15 minutes to ensure there are no side effects. They will have a booster injection after 1 year.

Are there any side effects?

According to the WHO, HPV vaccination of girls is very safe. Very occasionally girls may experience mild side effects such as swelling, itching, or soreness at the injection site.

These mild side effects are normal signs that the body is having an immune response, which is a positive sign that the vaccination is working. After 15 mins rest girls can return to school or normal activities. The HPV vaccine has BPOM permission for use in Indonesia and has been certified halal.



Where do we access it and what does it cost?

HPV vaccination is free if administered as part of the routine immunisation program at school for girls in grades 5-6. For this age group missed vaccinations doses can also be accessed for free at a local health centre.

