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Dear Health Care Provider,

We would like to inform you of important updates to and expansion of BC's publicly funded human papillomavirus (HPV) immunization program, which may be relevant to your clients enrolled in the BC-CfE's HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Program and those living with HIV in the HIV Treatment Program.

As of July 31, 2025, the following individuals in BC may access HPV9 (GARDASIL®9) immunization at no cost:

- All individuals age 9-26 years of age (inclusive)<sup>a</sup>
- Individuals living with HIV between 9-45 years of age (inclusive)<sup>b</sup>
- Individuals 27-45 years of age (inclusive) who self-identify as belonging to the gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men community (including those who are not yet sexually active and/or are questioning their sexual orientation). This includes cisgender males as well as individuals who are Two-Spirit, transgender, and/or non-binary<sup>b</sup>
- Individuals who have received post-colposcopy treatment for cervical dysplasia on or after July 31, 2025

Please note with some urgency, for clients born in 1998 without additional eligibility criteria, and for eligible clients born in 1979, HPV vaccine series initiation must occur prior to the end of 2025 for these individuals to qualify for publicly funded immunization.

*<sup>a</sup> Those who have already turned or will be turning 27 in 2025 (i.e., born in 1998) without additional eligibility criteria, can initiate a publicly funded HPV vaccine series until the end of 2025 and must complete the series by December 31, 2026.*

*<sup>b</sup> Eligible groups who have already turned or will be turning 46 in 2025 (i.e., born in 1979) can initiate a publicly funded HPV vaccine series until the end of 2025 and must complete the series by December 31, 2026.*



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HPV9 Vaccine schedule	Population
1-dose schedule	Under 21 years of age and immunocompetent
2-dose schedule at 0 and 6 months	21 years of age and older and immunocompetent
3-dose schedule at 0, 2 and 6 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Immunocompromised individuals aged 9-45</li> <li>- Individuals aged 9-45 living with HIV</li> <li>- Post-colposcopy treatment for cervical dysplasia</li> </ul>

For additional detail on indications, dosing, adverse effects, and special considerations, please refer to the BC Immunization Manual.

<https://www.bccdc.ca/health-professionals/clinical-resources/vaccines-in-bc>

HPV9 immunization is available at select pharmacies and clinics in BC.

<https://www.bcpharmacy.ca/pharmacy-services/HPV-vaccines>

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/health-library/health-features/get-hpv-vaccine>

Sincerely,



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