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## Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine Updates

### AB 499 California Minor Consent for Medical Care

- As of January 1, 2012, minors 12 years and older can consent to preventive services for sexually transmitted diseases without their parents' consent. This includes HPV and hepatitis B vaccinations.

Additionally, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) now recommends routine vaccination of males ages 11-12 years with HPV4 (Gardasil) administered as a 3-dose series.

- The vaccination series can be started beginning at age 9 years.
- Vaccination is recommended for males aged 13 through 21 years who have not been vaccinated previously or who have not completed the 3-dose series.
- Males aged 22 through 26 years may also be vaccinated.

If your clinic sees adolescents ages 11-18 years and is *not* enrolled in the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program, please visit [www.eziz.org](http://www.eziz.org) for program information.

Call us at 415-554-2830 with any questions. Thank you!



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