



Important Message

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Dear VFA Provider:

As you may be aware, the FDA recently <u>expanded the age indication of Gardasil 9 to include</u> women and men aged 27 through 45 years of age.

The CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) is expected to vote on the expanded age indication in February 2019. Once ACIP votes, the VFA program will issue guidance on HPV age indications. Until then, please **continue to vaccinate VFA-eligible patients with HPV vaccine based on current ACIP recommendations**.

Medi-Cal, as well as most private insurance, covers ACIP-recommended vaccines.

As a reminder, to be eligible for VFA, patients must:

- not have insurance* OR
- have insurance that does not cover vaccines** AND
- be 19 years of age and older.

Questions? Contact my317vaccines@cdph.ca.gov.

^{*}County safety net programs are not considered insurance.

^{**}Adults with insurance that covers vaccine(s) are NOT eligible for VFA vaccine(s), even if the insurance includes a high deductible or co-pay, the plan's deductible has not been met, or the insurance has cost sharing.