HPV Fact of the Month: In 2016, 60 percent of teens aged 13-17 years received one or more doses of HPV vaccine, an increase of 4 percent from 2015. Nationally, only 43 percent of teens are up to date on all the recommended doses of HPV vaccine. (Source—CDC)

HPV-Related Events

National Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) Webinar: “You Are the Key: Best Practices for HPV Cancer Prevention”

Tuesday, June 12, 2-3 pm ET

This presentation will provide up-to-date information on HPV infection/disease, the HPV vaccine, Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations, and ways to successfully communicate with patients and their parents about HPV vaccination. Find out how to reduce missed opportunities by recommending the HPV vaccine the same way and same day you recommend other routinely recommended adolescent vaccines. Learn about best practices from other medical offices across the nation that are making HPV vaccination a priority.

HPV News—Navajo Nation Home to Region’s Highest HPV Vaccination Rate

The Association of American Cancer Institutes (AACI), in partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Cancer Society, recognized 10 pediatric practices across the nation for exceptionally high rates of HPV vaccination. The Navajo Area Indian Health Service Unit in Chinle within region nine (California, Arizona, Nevada, Hawaii and U.S. territories in the Pacific) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ was honored. This unit had a HPV vaccination completion rate of 82.7 percent, giving the Chinle Service Unit one of the highest vaccination rates of all 10 honorees nationwide.

Read more about the HPV immunization work in Chinle here.

Spotlight—American Cancer Society’s HPV Vaccination Roundtable Action Guides

The National HPV Vaccination Roundtable, established by the American Cancer Society (ACS) and the CDC in 2014, is a national coalition of public organizations, private organizations, voluntary organizations, and invited individuals dedicated to reducing the incidence of and mortality from HPV cancers in the U.S., through coordinated leadership and strategic planning.

The HPV Roundtable has created multiple action guides to help improve HPV vaccination rates. There are both system level and clinician level guides. A action guide for office administrative staff, provides steps that the entire office team can take to help improve HPV vaccination rates. These guides also provide materials and resources for your office. To view any of the HPV Roundtable action guides, go here.

For more information on how to utilize your entire office team to improve vaccination rates, check out the CDC’s customizable presentation: 10 Ways to Create a Culture of Immunization Within Our Pediatric Practice.

HPV Champion Toolkit Resource of the Month—Making a Change in Your Office

The AAP’s Toolkit offers multiple resources to use when making a change associated with the HPV vaccine in your office. From an overview of strategies to improving immunization rates, to more specific information on conducting Plan Do Study Act (PDSA) cycles or setting up reminder and recall systems. Check AAP’s resources on how to make a change in your office here.