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The **HPV Vaccine** is too new and hasn't been tested enough, so it is unsafe.



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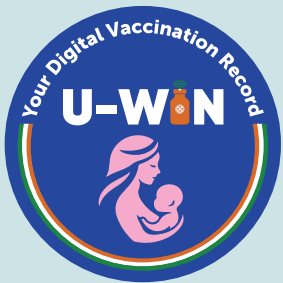


The **HPV vaccine** is not new; it has been in the market since 2006.

Studies have demonstrated the safety and effectiveness of HPV vaccines.

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The HPV vaccines are **ineffective.**



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Studies show that HPV vaccines are highly effective and immunogenic, with **93–100% efficacy in preventing cervical cancer.**

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The HPV vaccine causes  
**infertility.**



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No, the HPV vaccine **does not**  
**affect fertility.**

In fact, it helps protect fertility  
by preventing HPV infections  
that can cause cervical cancer.

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**The HPV Vaccine affects the menstrual cycle.**



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**The HPV vaccine does not affect the menstrual cycle.**

**It is safe to vaccinate a girl with HPV vaccine even if she is menstruating.**

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The HPV vaccine has  
**severe side effects.**



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Like other vaccines, the HPV vaccine may cause side effects; however, these are generally **mild, self-limiting**, and resolve on their own **within 2–3 days.**

The most common side effects include **pain, redness, and swelling at the injection site**, as well as **fever, malaise, and weakness.**

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The HPV vaccination is only for those who can afford it.



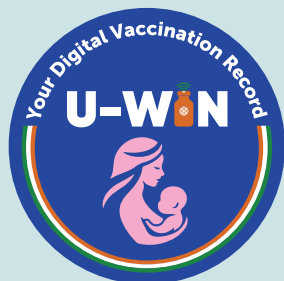
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No. The HPV vaccine is provided free of cost to all 14-year-old girls at the nearest government health facility.

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**Multiple doses of the HPV vaccine are needed for protection from cervical cancer.**

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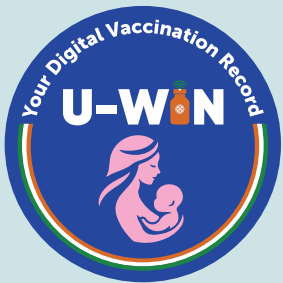


**Single dose of quadrivalent HPV vaccine provided by the Government of India is effective and provides sufficient protection against HPV infection.**



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HPV Vaccination is compulsory for all **14-year-old girls**, and no parental consent is required.

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HPV vaccination is **voluntary**, and **prior parental consent is mandatory** for all HPV vaccination.



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