

Remember...

...that HPV vaccination is an important way to help protect yourself against the most common cancer-causing types of human papillomavirus. You should try to live a healthy lifestyle and in the future, if you do become sexually active, then it's essential you have safe sex and regular cervical smears.

If you have any questions about HPV vaccination or any side-effects please talk to your school nurse, practice nurse or GP, or visit www.hpwwise.co.uk

Now you've had your first HPV vaccination

Information for girls aged 12–17



You are receiving HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccinations to help protect you against cervical cancer.

It's very important that you have all your doses of the vaccine to get the best possible protection. You will have been told how many vaccinations you need and when you will have them, so don't forget to make a note of the dates.

Write down the dates that you are given for all your injections

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Most people have no problems after their vaccination, but some may experience side-effects.

Very common side-effects, which occur in at least 10% of people, include:

- Pain, redness and swelling at the injection site
- Headaches

Other common side-effects, which occur in less than 10% but in at least 1% of people, include:

- Bruising or itching at the injection site
- Feeling sick (nausea)
- Pain in hands or feet
- Having a high temperature (fever)
- Dizziness

These side-effects are generally mild to moderate and should go away by themselves.

If you do experience any side-effects, even if they are not listed above, please tell your GP, pharmacist, nurse or parents/guardians who should report this to Sanofi Pasteur MSD on 01628 785291. You can also report side-effects to www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard. By doing so, you can help provide more information on the safety of this vaccine.