

HPV VACCINE IS CANCER PREVENTION *Champion*

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Association of American Cancer Institutes, and American Cancer Society, as leaders in cancer prevention, have partnered to establish the ***HPV Vaccine Is Cancer Prevention Champion Award*** to recognize leaders in health care whose vaccination rates demonstrate their commitment to preventing HPV cancers through timely vaccination of adolescents.

The ***HPV Vaccine Is Cancer Prevention Champion Award*** recognizes clinicians, clinics, practices, groups, and health systems that are effectively working to protect their adolescent patients against HPV cancers by achieving high HPV vaccination rates. Each year, the award program will honor up to one Champion from each of the 10 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services regions.

HOW DO I NOMINATE A CHAMPION?

Submit a completed nomination form to PreteenVaccines@cdc.gov by **September 15, 2017**.

Entrants may self-nominate or be nominated by others. Champion nominees can include clinicians, clinics, practices, groups, and health systems that treat adolescents and meet the award criteria.

HOW WILL HPV VACCINE IS CANCER PREVENTION CHAMPIONS BE SELECTED?

Champions will be selected based off the following criteria and considerations:

- Must be a clinician, clinic, practice, group, or health system that treats adolescents as a part of their overall patient population.
- Nominee must reach target series completion rate of 70% for the patient population aged 13–15 years.
 - Rate must account for both female and male patients.
 - Vaccination under the two-dose schedule (two doses given at least five months apart in children ages 9–14 years) satisfies series completion, as does the original three-dose schedule.
- Patient population size will be considered.
 - Nominees who are protecting a greater number of children will be weighted heavier.
 - Patient population is defined as patients who have had a clinical encounter with the nominee in the previous 24 months.
- Data provided via AFIX (Assessment, Feedback, Incentives, and eXchange) can be used for nomination. Other data sources can include immunization information systems, electronic health record platforms, quality improvement initiatives, or performance measure systems, but that data must be validated by the state or local immunization program.

HOW WILL CHAMPIONS BE RECOGNIZED?

Champions will be announced in October 2017.

Champions will be featured on CDC's website and in the [#PreteenVaxNews](#) e-newsletter, will receive an ***HPV Vaccine Is Cancer Prevention Champion*** plaque, and may be recognized at local or national events led by cancer or pediatric health organizations.

To learn more about the ***HPV Vaccine Is Cancer Prevention Champion Award***, visit www.cdc.gov/HPV/champions.

