

Announcement

Additional Guidance Online for Providers Regarding 9-Valent HPV Vaccine Use Among Persons Who Previously Received HPV Vaccination

A 9-valent human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine (Gardasil 9, Merck and Co., Inc.) was licensed for use in females and males in the United States in December 2014 (1,2). This is the third HPV vaccine licensed by the Food and Drug Administration; the other vaccines are the bivalent HPV vaccine, licensed for use in females, and the quadrivalent HPV vaccine, licensed for use in females and males (3).

In February 2015, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommended 9-valent HPV vaccine as one of three HPV vaccines that can be used for routine vaccination of females and one of two HPV vaccines for routine vaccination of males. ACIP recommendations were published in a March 2015 report (4). Additional information has been posted on the CDC website to provide guidance on issues that were not addressed in the March report but are likely to arise during the transition to 9-valent HPV vaccine, including questions about use of 9-valent HPV vaccine among persons who previously received bivalent or quadrivalent HPV vaccine (<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/downloads/9vHPV-guidance.pdf>).

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Errata

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In the report, “Controlling the Last Known Cluster of Ebola Virus Disease — Liberia, January–February 2015, the author list should read as follows: Tolbert Nyenswah¹, Mosoka Fallah¹, Sonpon Sieh¹, Karsor Kollie¹, Moses Badio¹, Alvin Gray¹, Priscilla Dilah¹, Marnijina Shannon¹, Stanley Duwor¹, Chikwe Ihekweazu², Thierry Cordier-Lasalle², Shivam A. Shinde², Esther Hamblion², Gloria Davies-Wayne², Murugan Ratnesh², Christopher Dye², Jonathan S. Yoder³, Peter McElroy³, Brooke Hoots³, Athalia Christie³, John Vertefeuille³, Sonja J. Olsen³, A. Scott Laney³, Joyce J. Neal³, **Sirin Yaemsiri³**, Thomas R. Navin³, Stewart Coulter³, Paran Pordell³, Terrence Lo³, Carl Kinkade³, Frank Mahoney³

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In the report, “Use of Serogroup B Meningococcal Vaccines in Persons Aged ≥10 Years at Increased Risk for Serogroup B Meningococcal Disease: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, 2015,” on page 610, the fifth paragraph should read as follows: “In four clinical trials (9–11,13) a total of 2,557 subjects received at least 1 dose of MenB-FHbp (21); **no serious adverse events considered by the study investigator to be related (or possibly related) to the vaccine were reported. In three additional studies (12) (Pfizer, unpublished data) with a total of 7,251 subjects receiving at least 1 dose of MenB-FHbp**, four subjects reported seven serious adverse events that were considered by the study investigator to be related (or possibly related) to the vaccine.[§] All vaccine-related serious adverse events resolved without sequelae. No increased risk for any specific serious adverse event considered to be clinically significant was identified in any of the studies. No deaths were considered to be related to MenB-FHbp. The most common solicited adverse reactions observed in the 7 days after receipt of MenB-FHbp in the clinical trials were pain at the injection site, fatigue, headache, myalgia, and chills (21).”

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In the report, “Launch of a Nationwide Hepatitis C Elimination Program — Georgia, April 2015,” on page 755, the second sentence should read, “**MoLHSA partnered with Gilead Sciences, a pharmaceutical manufacturer that agreed to support the program by providing an initial 5,000 courses of the antiviral medications sofosbuvir (Sovaldi), followed by 20,000 treatment courses of ledipasvir-sofosbuvir (Harvoni) annually at no cost.**