



State of Louisiana

Department of Health and Hospitals Immunization Program

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TO: Regional Administrators
Medical Directors

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Subject: Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) Policy Eligibility Expansion

Priority: High

Please route to:

- Clinical supervisor
- Medical director
- Clinic manager
- Clinic staff
- Pharmacy
- Vaccine staff

This is to advise you that the Immunization Program now has the funds to provide Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) vaccine to non Vaccines For Children age eligible females. This is great news for our efforts to ensure that our population is protected against vaccine preventable diseases. This memo rescinds and supersedes memo dated November 22, 2006. Effective immediately Parish Health Units may begin vaccinating eligible females 9 through 18 years of age. At this time, this policy is restricted to females.

The policy for the use of Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) can be found in the Immunization Policies and Procedures Manual. The [Immunization Policies and Procedures Manual](#) is available and can be accessed through LINKS web homepage under Document Center at: <https://linksweb.oph.dhh.louisiana.gov/linksweb/main.jsp> and DHH <http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=265> website for your convenience.

Inquiries may be directed to the Immunization Program at 504-838-5300. If you do not have any questions, please make sure both Regional and Medical Directors (where appropriate) sign this memo. The Immunization Program appreciates your part in distributing, and making this memo available to your staff. This Memorandum should be kept for future reference.

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