

January is Cervical Cancer Awareness Month

This month we remind immunization providers of the importance of cervical cancer prevention through Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination and regular screenings. CDC recommends two doses of HPV vaccine at ages 11–12 years. HPV vaccination can be started at age 9 years. HPV vaccination provides safe, effective, and lasting protection against the HPV infections that most commonly cause cancer.

The HPV vaccine series is most effective when given before a person is exposed to the virus. Every year in the United States, HPV causes about 36,000 cases of cancer in both men and women.

Call or email the Marshall County Health Department to schedule you HPV vaccination.

The Marshall County Health Department also has a Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program that offers annual breast and gynecological exams for eligible individuals. Please call or email us to check on eligibility and to schedule an appointment.

Please email our Office Assistant Mimi at to schedule your appointments <u>mlogston@marshallcountywv.gov</u> to schedule your appointment.