

# HPV Vaccination Program Summary for General Practice

HPV vaccine, Gardasil, is funded for **females aged 12-26**.

Administration: 3 doses are given at 0, 2 and 6 months.

Commencement of Program in General Practice is **9 July 2007 – 30 June 2009**.

## General Practitioners are able to vaccinate:

- all women aged 18 to 26
- girls 15 - 18 years who are no longer at school
- girls who have missed out on starting the program in school (i.e. 2007 = Years 10, 11, 12)

*Women who receive the first dose of HPV vaccine before they turn 27 years of age are eligible to receive free vaccine for all three doses. However, all three doses must be given before completion of the program in June 2009.*

**NSW School-based program** - vaccination of 12-18 year old girls:

| NSW HPV School Based Program |             |             |        |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
|                              | 2007        | 2008        | 2009 + |
| Year                         | 10, 11, 12  | 7, 8, 9, 10 | 7      |
| Age                          | 15,16,17,18 | 12,13,14,15 | 12     |

The HPV program will only continue as a funded vaccine after June 2009 for girls in Year 7 (NSW) as a school based program.

## HPV REGISTER

The Commonwealth Government is developing a register to collect records of HPV immunisations of all girls between the ages of 12 - 18 years of age and data for women 18 to 26 years of age can also be recorded until the funded program finishes in June 2009.

As this register is not yet operational, all practices are asked to collect and hold the information until it can be forwarded on.

A **\$6 administration fee will be paid to you** by the Commonwealth for lodgement of each HPV immunisation encounter for the 12 to 18 year olds once the register is up and running.

It is important to collect this data

- for immediate recall for subsequent or missed vaccinations,
- to inform patients if future studies show a need for a booster, and
- to be able to measure the effectiveness of the vaccine by correlating the vaccination and cervical screening records with cervical cancer rates in the community.

## How you can collect the HPV Data

1. *Using your medical software* –step by step procedure for Medical Director is available. Processes for Profile will be available shortly.
2. Manually – using the HPV register Manual template available to Practices.

All data needs to be kept safely until the proposed register is operational later this year.