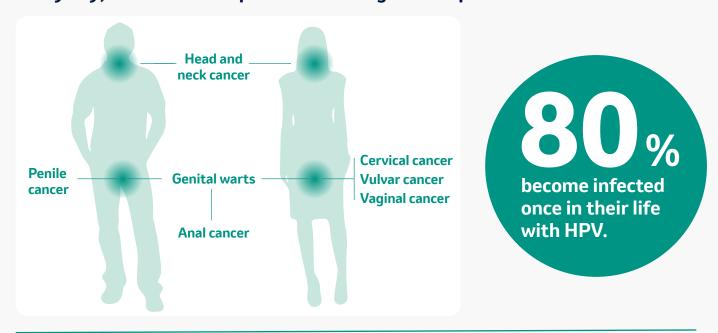
Human papilloma viruses (HPV) can cause various diseases in men and women

Every day, more than one person on average develops HPV-related cancer:



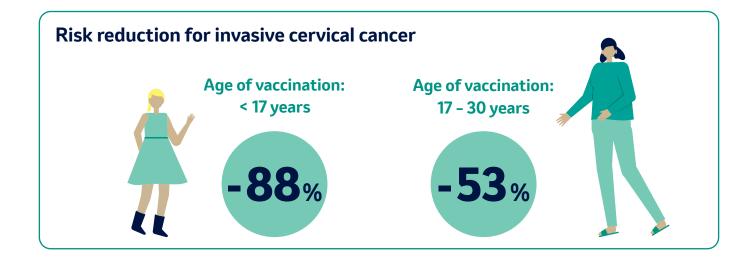
HPV-related diseases occur frequently in Switzerland:

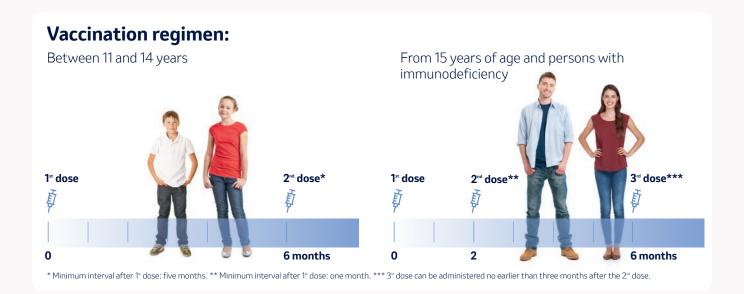


Diseases per year:		
25,000	genital warts	
5,000	advanced early stages of cervical cancer (CIN2+)	
3,000	HPV-related conizations* (can result in miscarriages and premature births)	
250	cervical cancers (with follow-up treatment)	
210	anal cancers (men and women)	

Deaths per year		
80	cervical cancer	
50	anal cancer (Men and women)	

^{*} A common surgical procedure in gynecology in which a cone-shaped piece of tissue (tissue cone, therefore the term "conization") is excised from the cervix.





According to the Bundesamt für Gesundheit (BAG) [Federal Office of Public Health (FOPH)]:

- HPV is highly contagious:
 - During sexual intercourse, but also during petting.
 - Condoms do not provide complete protection (the entire skin is not covered).
- A vaccination can protect against genital warts and cancer-causing types of HPV.
- The Federal Office of Public Health (FOPH) recommends HPV vaccination of all persons (male and female) between 11 and 26 years.
- **The vaccination is free at doctors'** offices that participate in the cantonal HPV vaccination program (www.hpv-info.ch/aerztefinder).

According to the FOPH, the HPV vaccination is highly effective and safe.

You can obtain more information
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