



NEW VACCINES FOR ADOLESCENTS

New vaccines have recently become available and are recommended for adolescents. Immunization has the potential to protect not only the health of adolescents, but their friends, families and communities.

Menactra vaccine is recommended for adolescents of any age but especially for high school seniors who will be attending college and living in the dormitory. This vaccine protects against many types of meningitis.

Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) Do you recall the pertussis (whooping cough) outbreak a few years ago? A dose of Tdap is required for students in grades 6-12.

A second dose of **Varicella** (chicken pox) vaccine is now required for children grades K5-12.

HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccine protects against four major types of HPV. HPV is known to cause cervical cancer in women. Every year in the United States about 10,000 women get cervical cancer and 3,700 die from it. HPV vaccine can prevent most cases of cervical cancer. The vaccine is recommended for girls and boys starting at the age of 11.

Please call the Greenfield Health Department at 414-329-5275 or your primary care provider for more information.