Most Human Papillomavirus (HPV) infections go away by themselves. However, sometimes these infections can cause cancer.

**Cancer Sites Attributed to HPV infections**
- Cervix
- Vulva
- Vagina
- Penis
- Anus
- Oropharynx

**HPV-associated cancers**
- 1,927 were diagnosed in Illinois in 2016
- 80 million people have been infected with HPV in the U.S.
- There are 14 million new HPV infections every year in the U.S.

**Prevention & Screening**
Nearly all men and women will get one type of HPV in their lifetime.

HPV-associated cancers are hard to find because doctors can only screen for cervical cancer.

The other five types of HPV-associated cancers may not be detected until they've caused health problems.

**The HPV vaccine is the best prevention.**

**HPV Vaccination Recommendation**
- Two doses for boys & girls ages 11 or 12
- If a routine HPV vaccination is not completed by the age of 13, vaccination is still recommended for:
  - Men through age 21
  - Women, gay or bisexual men, transgender people, and people with lowered immune systems through age 26

**NOTE:** All cancer incidence and mortality data are specific to Illinois residents. Five-year survival estimates reflect age standardized, relative survival. Methods are described in the 'Cancer in North America: 2011-2015' report, cited below. All presented rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard million population. Unless otherwise noted, displayed incidence and mortality rates have been calculated for the 2016 calendar year.