

OPERATION WIPE OUT

*cervical
cancer*
ALABAMA

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO ELIMINATE CERVICAL CANCER IN ALABAMA?

It takes 3 steps:

1



HPV VACCINE

Give the HPV
vaccination to
children and
young adults
aged 9-26

2



SCREENING

Get regular
HPV/Pap test to
screen for
cervical cancer
beginning at
age 21

3



FOLLOW-UP/ TREATMENT

If your HPV/Pap
test is abnormal,
go back to your
doctor/health
care provider for
a follow-up
appointment

WE CAN END CERVICAL
CANCER IN OUR LIFETIME



I am a **College Student**

What Can I Do To Wipe Out Cervical Cancer In Alabama?

Check your **immunization records** to see if you received all recommended doses of the HPV vaccine. It is not too late to get vaccinated if you are 26 years of age or younger!

#HPV affects not just women; men need to get vaccinated too to protect them from other HPV associated cancers - cancer of the mouth and neck, anal, and penile cancer.



Be the founder of an **OPERATION WIPE OUT** club/organization on your college campus. **Mobilize other students** to get involved in organizing events and education seminars to promote cervical cancer awareness on campus and in the community. Partner with local high/middle schools, faith-based organizations, and other youth groups.



Create infographics pertaining to HPV vaccination, screening, and follow-up backed by reputable sources, like the **OPERATION WIPE OUT** website.

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Keep up with your routine screenings, including cervical cancer screening, and clarify any questions you may have with your health care provider. **Be an advocate for your own health.**



As an organized **OPERATION WIPE OUT** club/organization, partner with your Campus Student Health to make HPV vaccination and screenings readily available to students. Offer **HPV vaccination** at tabling events if the Student Health offers these services.

Work with groups like the **American Cancer Society** or the **Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH)** on awareness campaigns. Consider exploring internship opportunities with the ADPH. Contact your local clinics and offer your support through volunteer work.

Share the importance of HPV vaccination and cervical cancer screening and follow-up with your friends and family members. One of the best ways to implement change is by **motivating the people around you.**

If you lead a student organization on your college campus, **promote cervical cancer awareness** during your events. Collaborate with other student organizations for a combined effort!



Join **OPERATION WIPE OUT** and become an advocate.