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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has made the following revision to the HPV vaccine catch-up immunization schedule:

Revised catch-up immunization schedule: Administer dose 1, followed by at least 4 weeks with dose 2. Dose 3 may be administered 12 weeks after dose 2, providing that 24 weeks has elapsed since the administration of Dose 1.

New Hampshire is one of the few states that provide HPV vaccine universally to young women age 11 to 18 years. Since HPV vaccine is universally available, we have chosen not to implement the revised catch-up immunization schedule. Therefore, please continue to provide HPV vaccine to young women ages 11-18 years base on CDC's routine immunization schedule:

Routine Immunization Schedule

**Dose 1, followed by at least two months with dose 2.
Dose 3 is administered six months after the *first* dose.**

CDC is not recommending revaccination for shortened 1-3 dose intervals that occurred prior to March 5, 2008 (the publication date of the correction).

Additional information about immunization schedules for infants, children, adolescents and adults can be found at the New Hampshire Immunization Program (NHIP) website at:

<http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/DHHS/IMMUNIZATION/default.htm>

The NHIP wishes to thank our immunization providers for their continued support of our efforts to distribute and administer HPV vaccine.

Questions should be directed to the NH Immunization Program at: 603.271.4482.