

# Provider

# Alert



**Subject: Vaccines For Children Now Covering HPV Vaccine**

**From: Passport Health Plan**

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**To: All Passport Health Plan providers**

### **Provider Types Affected:**

Passport Health Plan providers participating in the Vaccines For Children (VFC) program.

### **Background:**

The Gardasil vaccine was recently included as a vaccine under the VFC program. The Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) released an announcement on February 12, 2007 indicating that the HPV vaccine will be covered by Medicaid under the VFC program.

Effective February 12, 2007, Passport Health Plan will reimburse providers for the administration of the Gardasil vaccine as covered under the VFC program.

### **Provider Action Needed:**

To remain consistent with the methodology for other vaccine services, reimbursement for the administration of the HPV vaccine will be generated on the vaccination code (90649). Administration codes, when billed, will deny "I-91 – inappropriate Coding Per Contract/Agreement."

### **Members Eligible For The HPV Vaccine:**

Currently, the VFC program is covering this service for members aged 9 through 18 only. Passport Health Plan continues to investigate coverage options for members outside of the VFC program. Information will be disseminated as available.

### **Questions:**

If you have any questions, please contact the Provider Claims Service Unit (PCSU) at (800) 578-0775.

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