

POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS: **CERVICAL CANCER**

ORANGE COUNTY WOMEN'S HEALTH POLICY SUMMIT
OCTOBER 17, 2014

TASK FORCE BACKGROUND

LAUNCHED: March 2013

CO-LEADS: CSU Fullerton, Susan G. Komen OC
and OCWHP

ENGAGED: Diverse array of organizations

TO ADDRESS (Cervical Cancer):

- ✓ Screening Disparities
- ✓ Low Utilization of HPV Vaccine

CERVICAL CANCER OVERVIEW

2ND MOST COMMON CAUSE OF CANCER DEATH AMONG WOMEN 20-39

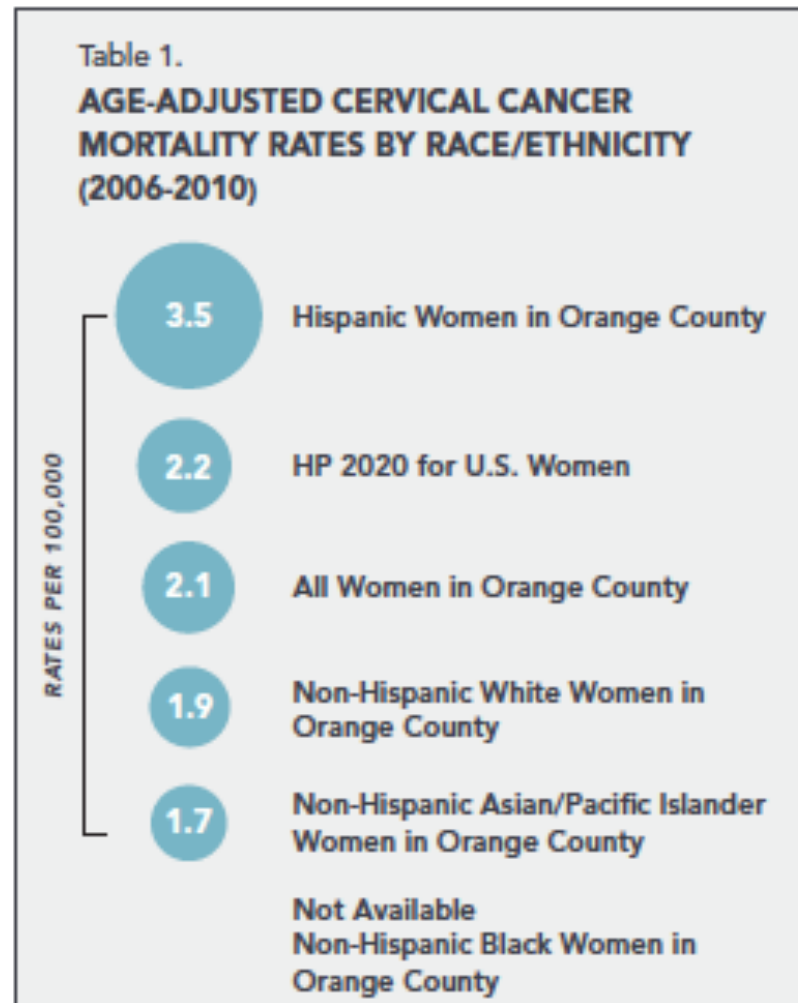
NEARLY 70% OF ALL CERVICAL CANCERS CAUSED BY HPV 16 and 18

THOUGH OFTEN ASYMPTOMATIC, HPV CAN ALSO CAUSE GENITAL WARTS, GENITAL CANCERS & THROAT CANCERS

SCREENING

- HP2020: Increase screenings 10% (from 84% to 93%)
- Average risk woman 21-65, Pap every 3 years or Pap + HPV Test every five years

CERVICAL CANCER DISPARITIES OC



SOURCE: California Cancer Registry

HPV VACCINATION

2 FDA-APPROVED VACCINES

- Gardasil (2006 for girls, later for boys)
- Cervarix (2009 for girls)

EFFECTIVE AT PREVENTING HPV 16 AND 18 AND NEARLY 100% OF ABNORMAL CELL CHANGES

ALL 3 DOSES REQUIRED TO BE EFFECTIVE

PROVIDER RECOMMENDATION IS MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR FOR PARENTAL ACCEPTANCE

HPV NOT MANDATED FOR SCHOOL ENTRY (NOT TRACKED)

POLICY RECOMMENDATION 1

Promote Cervical Cancer Screening in Orange County

Sample Strategies/Activities:

- **Educate providers** about screening disparities, culturally appropriate resources, and low and no-cost screening programs in Orange County
- **Increase culturally appropriate outreach and education** to patients about the importance of screening, new screening benefits under the ACA, and low and no-cost screening programs in Orange County
- **Preserve funding** for safety net programs, such as Family PACT and Every Woman Counts (EWC)

POLICY RECOMMENDATION 2

Promote HPV Vaccine Utilization for Girls 11-26 and Boys 11-21 In Orange County

Sample Strategies/Activities:

- **Educate providers** about the efficacy, safety and accessibility of the HPV vaccination, as well as the importance of provider recommendations to parents and patients
- **Increase culturally appropriate outreach and education** to parents and patients about the efficacy, safety and accessibility of the HPV vaccination
- **Preserve funding** for safety net vaccination programs, like Vaccines for Children (VFC)

QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU

CITATIONS AVAILABLE

CERVICAL CANCER POLICY BRIEF

www.ocwomenshealth.org/2014-policy-summit

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