



Pharmacist-Administered Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccine Now Available to Healthfirst Patients Aged 18+

Background

New York law has expanded the types of immunizations licensed pharmacists can administer to **patients 18 years or older**, including the HPV vaccine. Eligible patients can receive the HPV vaccine and other applicable vaccines from their primary care provider (PCP) or a licensed pharmacist.

Who is eligible for pharmacist-administered HPV vaccines?

Healthfirst patients 18 years or older **and** enrolled in any of the following plans offered by Healthfirst can now access the HPV vaccine at any of our in-network pharmacies:

- Essential Plan (EP)
- Qualified Health Plan (QHP), also known as Healthfirst Leaf and Leaf Premier plans
- Healthfirst Insurance Company (HFIC) individual and small group plans

Who is ineligible for pharmacist-administered HPV vaccines?

Healthfirst patients younger than 18 are ineligible for pharmacist-administered HPV vaccines. *However*, with caregiver consent these patients may still receive the HPV vaccine from their PCP.

Healthfirst patients regardless of age who are enrolled in any of the following plans or programs are **ineligible for pharmacist-administered HPV vaccines**:

- Child Health Plus
- Managed Long Term Care (MLTC)
- Medicaid
- Medicare
- Medicare Advantage plans with Medicaid
- Medicare Savings Program

Provider Alert

How can providers help eligible patients interested in receiving a pharmacist-administered HPV vaccine?

- **Share the Healthfirst directory of in-network pharmacies** — Patients may locate a participating Healthfirst pharmacy using our directory: [Find a pharmacy](#)
- **Discuss other vaccines patients may be eligible for and can receive at their pharmacy** — For the complete list of eligible vaccines, please refer to page 105 in the Comprehensive Drug List: [Find eligible vaccines](#)