PERCH
PartnERship to Contrast HPV

In 2020, in Europe, there were 58,169 cervical cancer cases and 25,989 deaths. Incidence and mortality rates vary widely across Europe, with age-standardized incidence rates ranging from less than 5 cases per 100,000 women to above 25 cases per 100,000 women and age-standardised mortality rates from 1 death per 100,000 women to 10 deaths per 100,000 women.
Source: Global Cancer Observatory (GCO)

HPV vaccination coverages vary considerably across Europe

Cervical cancer can be prevented by the HPV vaccination, however HPV vaccination coverages vary considerably across Europe from less than 5% to more than 90%.
Source: WHO/UNICEF Joint Reporting Form on Immunization (JRF)

18 European countries and 34 partner organisations working together to increase HPV vaccination coverage specially in regions with low coverage and to optimize data collection to monitor HPV vaccination coverage and the impact of vaccination.

34 partners

18 countries

The General Objective of PERCH

is to contribute to the implementation of Europe's Beating Cancer Plan, which aims to support Member States' efforts to extend the roll-out of routine HPV vaccination of girls and boys to eliminate cervical cancer and other cancers caused by HPV in the coming decade.

PERCH objectives:

1. Improve capacities of Member States to plan and implement HPV vaccination campaigns by sharing knowledge and experience.
2. Improve data and monitoring system on HPV vaccination and HPV screening.
3. Improve knowledge and awareness on HPV-related disease and prevention in specific target groups (adolescent girls and boys).
4. Improve knowledge and abilities for healthcare professionals in HPV vaccine communication.

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