

Focused Topic Networks

Prevention,
Early Detection
& Screening Network



HPV Action Network



Health Systems and
Treatment
Optimisation
Network



Quality Cancer Care
Network



Survivorship and
Quality of Life
Network



Digital Health
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Inequalities Network



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Special Network
Impact of Covid-19
on Cancer

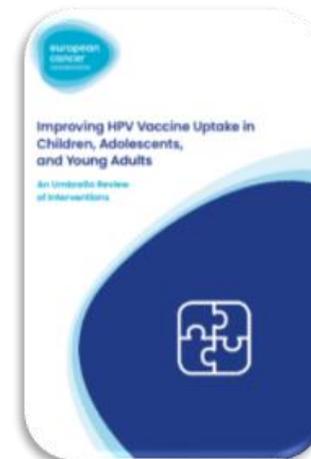
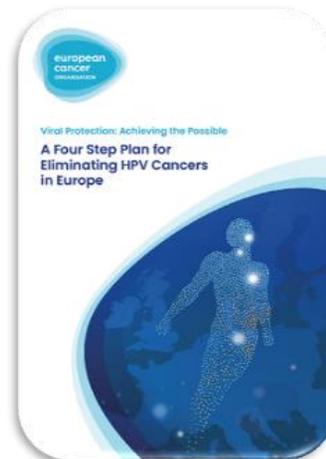


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Special Network:
Impact of the War
in Ukraine on Cancer



Past work of the HPV Action Network

- Influencing Europe's Beating Cancer Plan
- Responding to WHO Europe's cervical cancer elimination roadmap
- Mapping HPV prevention programmes across the European region
- Identifying effective interventions to improve HPV vaccination uptake
- Assessing the evidence for self-sampling for cervical cancer screening
- Contributed to EPF for Sexual and Reproductive Rights new atlas of HPV cancer
- Elimination programmes in 46 countries across WHO Europe - check your score
- Recommending caution & monitoring of adoption of single dose HPV vaccination programmes



Co-Chairs



Daniel Kelly



Margaret Stanley

Current work of the HPV Action Network

- PROTECT-EUROPE
- Action Now on HPV project
- Supporting advocacy on HPV in countries that are falling behind
- Pilots under development in Romania, Bulgaria and Croatia
- Responding to the EC's call for evidence on action to promote vaccination against causing viruses
- HPV Change Makers identified- see ECO website and suggest more!

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HPV Change Makers

The human papillomavirus (HPV) causes a variety of different cancers, often resulting in suffering and death. The tragedy is that almost all these cancers are preventable with a simple vaccine and periodic screening. But how to get governments to offer these services and their citizens to accept them?

Meet some inspiring advocates who have made a powerful case for change in their countries.

 **Ic6 T6th, President, Mallow Flower Foundation,**
Hungary 

 "We try to reach not just the parents, but the children as well. Our strategy is to trigger honest discussions within each family... Getting the HPV vaccine has to be a shared decision. We give you all the information and you decide."

 [Read her story here](#)



PROTECT-EUROPE



**Vaccinating Europe to
protect against
HPV cancers**



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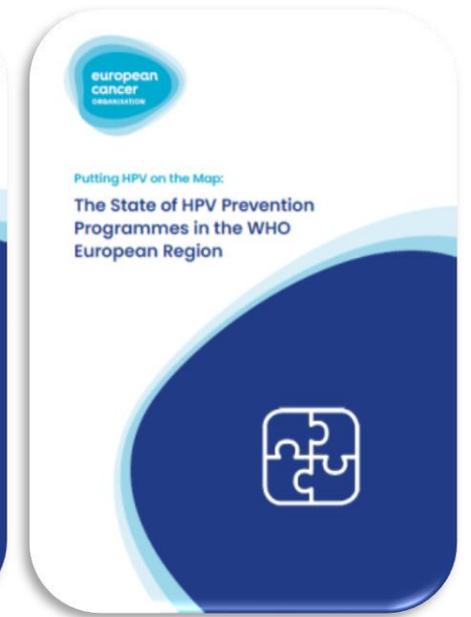
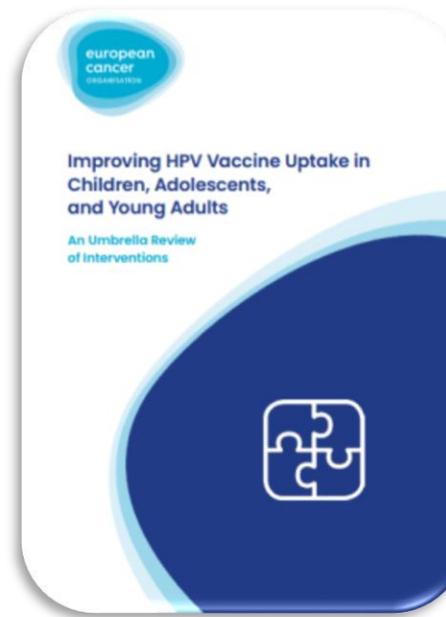


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ACTION NOW ON HPV

- Action Now on HPV project launched 2021.
- Mapped HPV vaccination and cervical cancer screening across Europe
- Umbrella study of HPV vaccination interventions
- HPV Testimonies and HPV Changemakers
- Advocacy campaigns in Romania, Bulgaria and Croatia



^ Steve Bergman – Tackling the Trauma of HPV-Related Throat Cancer

Steve Bergman is an actor from England, the UK. He was diagnosed with human papillomavirus (HPV)-related throat cancer five years ago. He had to undergo an aggressive treatment schedule, including surgery, chemotherapy and radiotherapy, that left him physically and emotionally traumatised.

Here he talks about the numbness he experienced after receiving his diagnosis and the terrifying and ongoing impact of his treatment, and how that led him into campaigning and advocacy.

Steve then discusses how he has been judged for having an HPV-related cancer and why he believes that HPV vaccination should be available universally, to both girls and boys.

[Read more](#)



v Christina Fagerstrom - A Part of My Story Forever: The Ongoing Impact of Cervical Cancer

v Laura Brennan - Laura's Legacy: Inspiring Young Women to Get the HPV Vaccine

v Josef Momers - Life is Still Beautiful: Surviving HPV-Related Penile Cancer

v Rachel Parsons - I Don't Want People to Go Through What I Went Through: Raising Awareness of HPV

Europe's Beating Cancer Plan

- The Cancer Plan addresses cancer in an integrated, health-in-all-policies and multi-stakeholder approach
- Four pillars: (1) prevention; (2) early detection; (3) diagnosis and treatment; and (4) quality of life of cancer patients and survivors
- Cross-cutting themes: research and innovation, digital and personalised medicine, reducing inequalities, paediatric cancer
- 10 flagship initiatives and 32 actions - at every key stage of the disease
- 4 billion EUR budget

The Europe's Beating Cancer Plan's Flagship Commitment on HPV vaccination

Flagship 3: With dedicated funds under the EU4Health programme and other funding instruments, Europe's Beating Cancer Plan will support Member States' efforts **to extend routine vaccination against human papillomaviruses of girls and boys** – in order to eliminate cervical cancer and other cancers caused by human papillomaviruses. The objective is to vaccinate at least 90% of the EU target population of girls and to significantly increase the vaccination of boys by 2030. Member States will play a critical role in meeting this target.



Time to Accelerate: the elimination of vaccine preventable cancers

Annual reporting on progress towards eliminating HPV and HBV cancers elimination

Tools should be enacted to improve monitoring and reporting towards HPV and HBV cancer elimination, including:

- Mandating the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control to put in place a monitoring system for HPV and HBV vaccine uptake across the EU, similar to systems created during the COVID-19 pandemic for real time vaccine uptake information.
- Helping EU Member States to achieve greater commonality in national immunisation registry systems to support timely monitoring and tracking, ensuring data-driven decision-making.
- Reporting on other indicators of success and progress, including:
 - vaccination rates according to indicators such as primary, catch-up cohorts, and adult and at-risk groups;
 - accessibility to vaccination programmes, including locations from which vaccination can be obtained (e.g. schools, pharmacies, etc);

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Allying the goals of HPV and HBV cancer elimination

- All EU Member States should be recommended to provide free HBV vaccination, as part of national healthcare coverage.
- Every EU Member State should be strongly encouraged to implement strategies to increase HBV vaccination coverage for newborns, children, and risk-groups.
- HBV vaccination programmes should be targeted to ensure key adult populations receive coverage, including migrants, people who inject drugs, people in prisons, people living with HIV, gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men, and healthcare workers.





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