





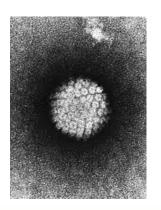


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# Attitudes towards HPV vaccination for boys among sexual health clinicians

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# Background



#### UK

- Cervarix 2008
- Gardasil 2012
- Only for girls, age 12-13

- JCVI 2014
  - Consideration of HPV vaccination for MSM in GUM clinics

#### **Australia**

- Gardasil
- Girls from 2007
- Incidence of Warts → nearly zero in vaccinated girls and heterosexual men
- No change in incidence in MSM
- Girls and Boys from 2013





# Purpose of Study

 To survey opinions of Sexual health clinicians in the UK on HPV vaccination for boys



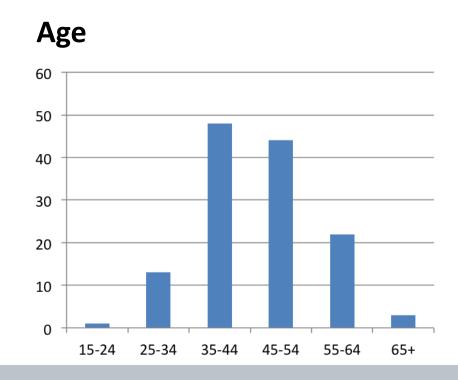
#### Method

- Anonymous online survey
- Sent out to all BASHH members by email
- Open for 4 weeks only
- Publicised on Twitter



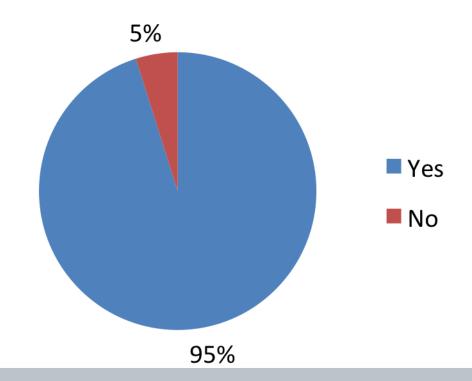
- 131 responses in total
- 69% female
- 88% work in England
- Occupation:
  - Doctor 75%
  - Nurse 14%
  - Health Advisor 6%
  - Other 7%







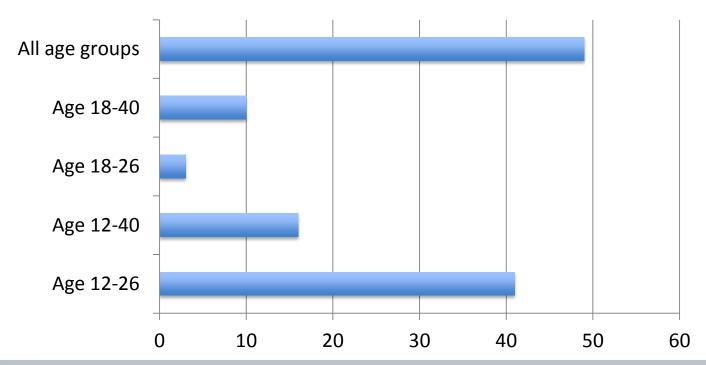
#### Do you agree with JCVI interim position statement?







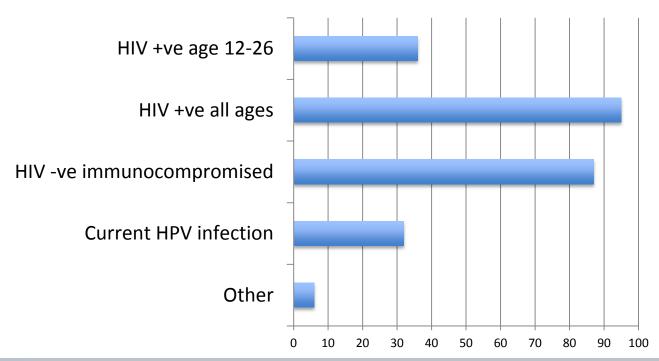
#### If yes, which groups of MSM?







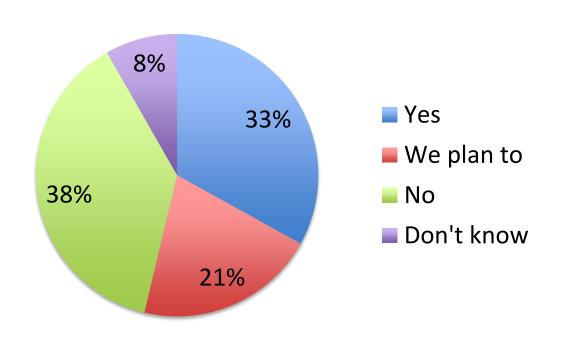
### Which other groups should be vaccinated?







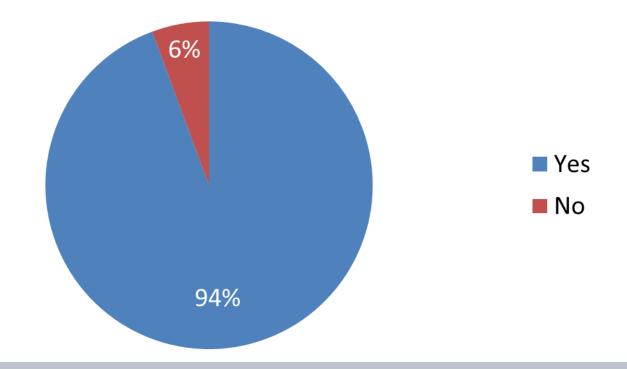
#### Is your clinic vaccinating MSM?



- 54% are or are planning to vaccinate MSM
- Not all on NHS basis



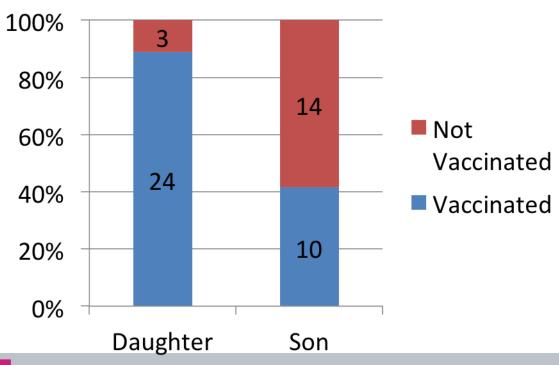
# Should there be universal vaccination? NHS Trust







#### Have you vaccinated your child?

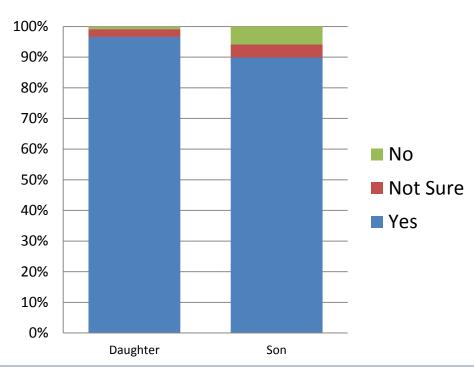


- National Comparison
- 2013-14
- 86.7% uptake





#### Would you vaccinate a child?







## Highlighted comments

"I have a 9-year old son and will certainly get him vaccinated when he is 12"

"All boys should be vaccinated as may not identify as MSM when age 12"

"I think that universal vaccination is the only really effective way forward"





#### Conclusions

- Support for a targeted approach for MSM, but only in absence of a universal programme
- Sexual Health Clinicians support universal HPV vaccination





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