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Dear Parents:

In response to CDC guidelines and the recommendation of the American Cancer Society, we are offering HPV vaccine to all 6th grade students. The optimal vaccination age is 11-12 year olds, although this vaccine is recommended for children age 9-26 years of age. HPV vaccine is designed to prevent cancer caused by the human papilloma virus. Cancers caused by HPV include male and female genital organs and oral (mouth/throat).

The vaccination series consists of two vaccinations six (6) months apart. The first clinic will be held in August and the second clinic in March, 2019. The registration site is open to register for both clinics. **Please register your student for both clinics now, rather than waiting.** You can always notify the health department if your plans change. Also, if your child has not fulfilled the Hepatitis A requirement for 6th grade or received the first dose and needs the second dose 6 months after the first, we can include this vaccination at the school clinic.

Clinic dates at your school: Clinic #1: 8-28-18 Clinic #2 3-5-19

Registration deadline for clinic #1 must be completed by: 8-17-18

To register go to www.schoolcares.com

- Please enter code: **IN07917** to access your school's site
- Select your school from the drop down box
- Enter your demographic information, including insurance information
- You will need to indicate the type of insurance that covers your student. If no insurance, please indicate. (your student may still receive vaccinations).
- We will review all records prior to clinic day and administer all indicated vaccines unless we are notified by the parent (contact the health department- 812-481-7056)

Please note the registration forms mentions influenza vaccine, **we will NOT offer influenza vaccine** at these clinics. If you have questions regarding registration, the entry of your insurance information, or vaccine questions, please contact the health department at 812-481-7056. **If your insurance information changes at anytime please update the schoolcares website.**

Dubois County Health Department