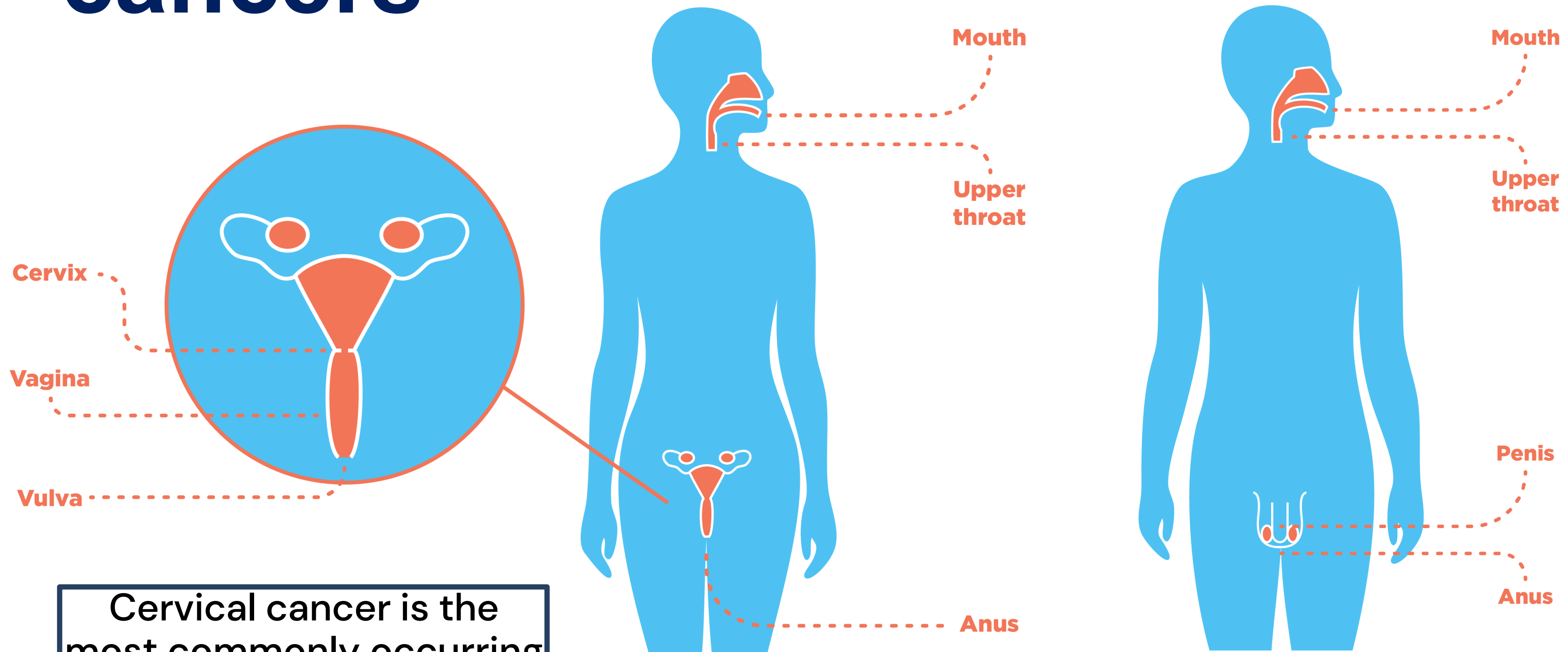


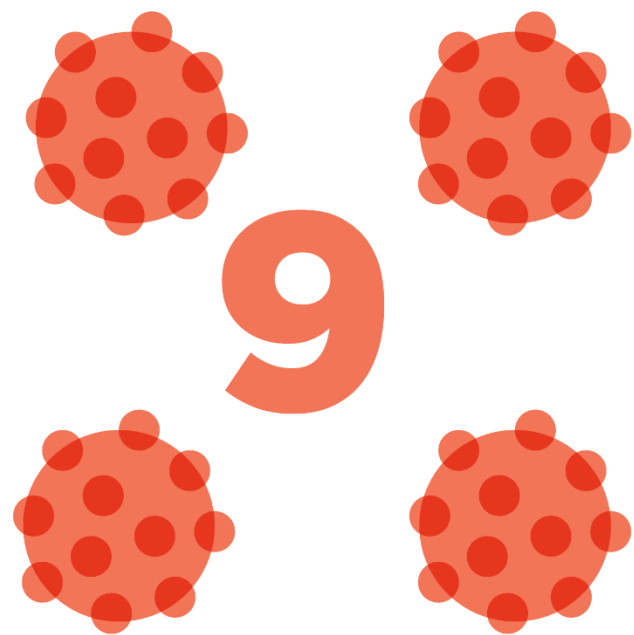
Body parts affected by HPV-related cancers



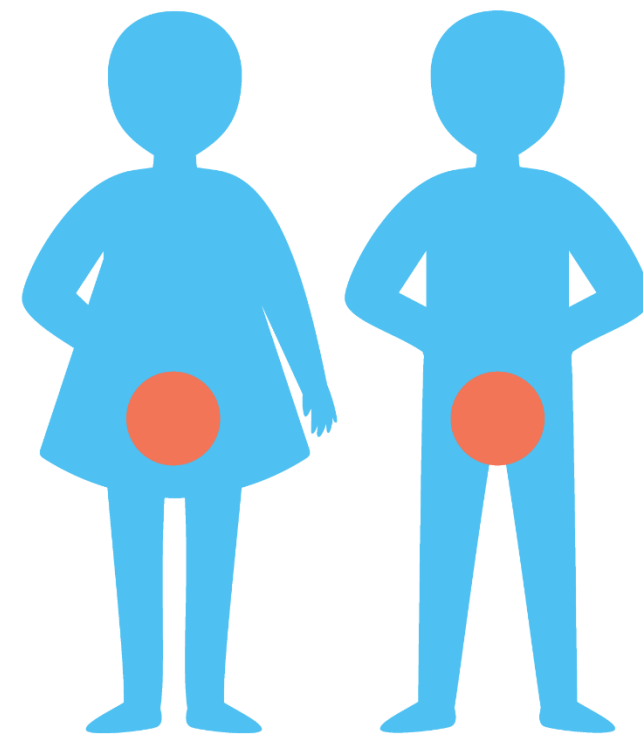
Cervical cancer is the most commonly occurring HPV-related cancer

What does the HPV vaccine protect against?

The nine strains of HPV that cause most cases of cancer



Mouth, throat and genital cancers



90% of cases of cervical cancer



90% of cases of genital warts



In the majority of cases, an infection with HPV will clear without symptoms.

What is in the vaccine?

The vaccine contains particles which look like the outside of the real HPV

It also contains some other ingredients to make the vaccine suitable for injection

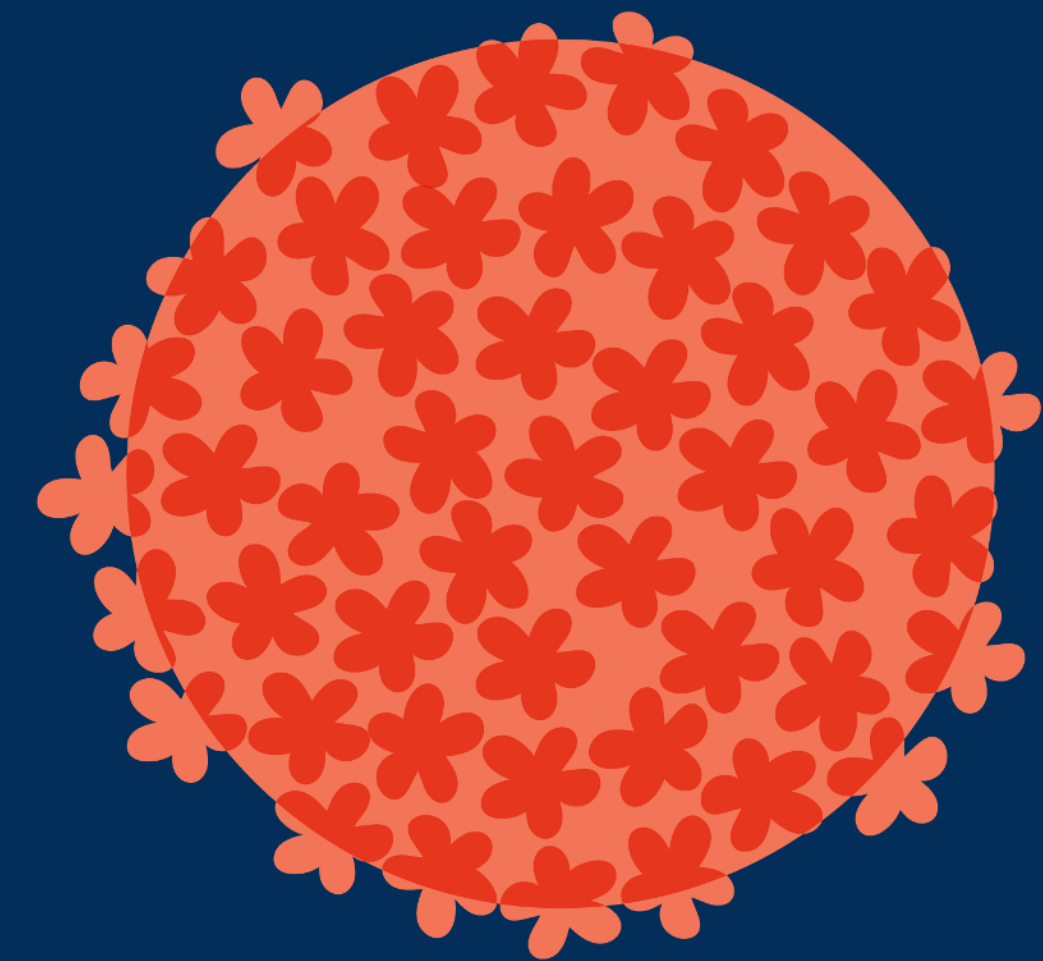
The vaccine does **not** contain pork or gelatine



Is the vaccine safe?

Yes, the vaccine is safe.

Millions of doses have been given worldwide.



How effective is the HPV vaccine?

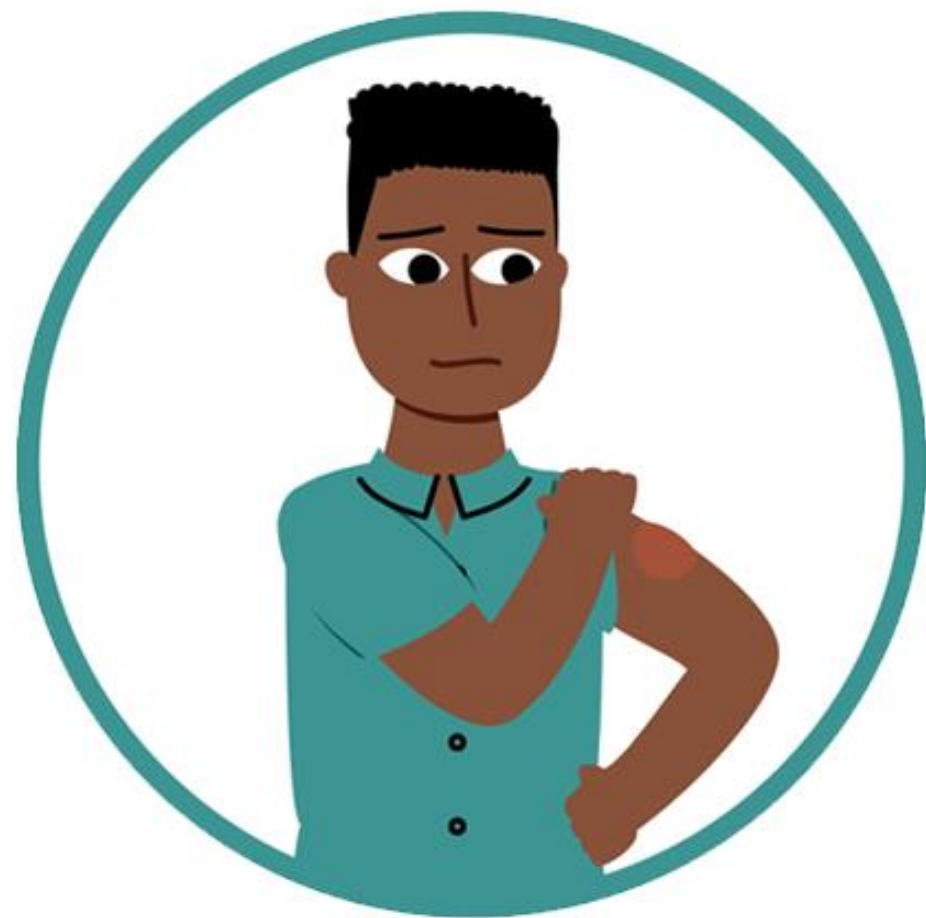
● It is a very effective vaccine

● It will prevent 99% of infections caused by the strains of HPV it protects against





Headache



**Redness, swelling
at injection site**

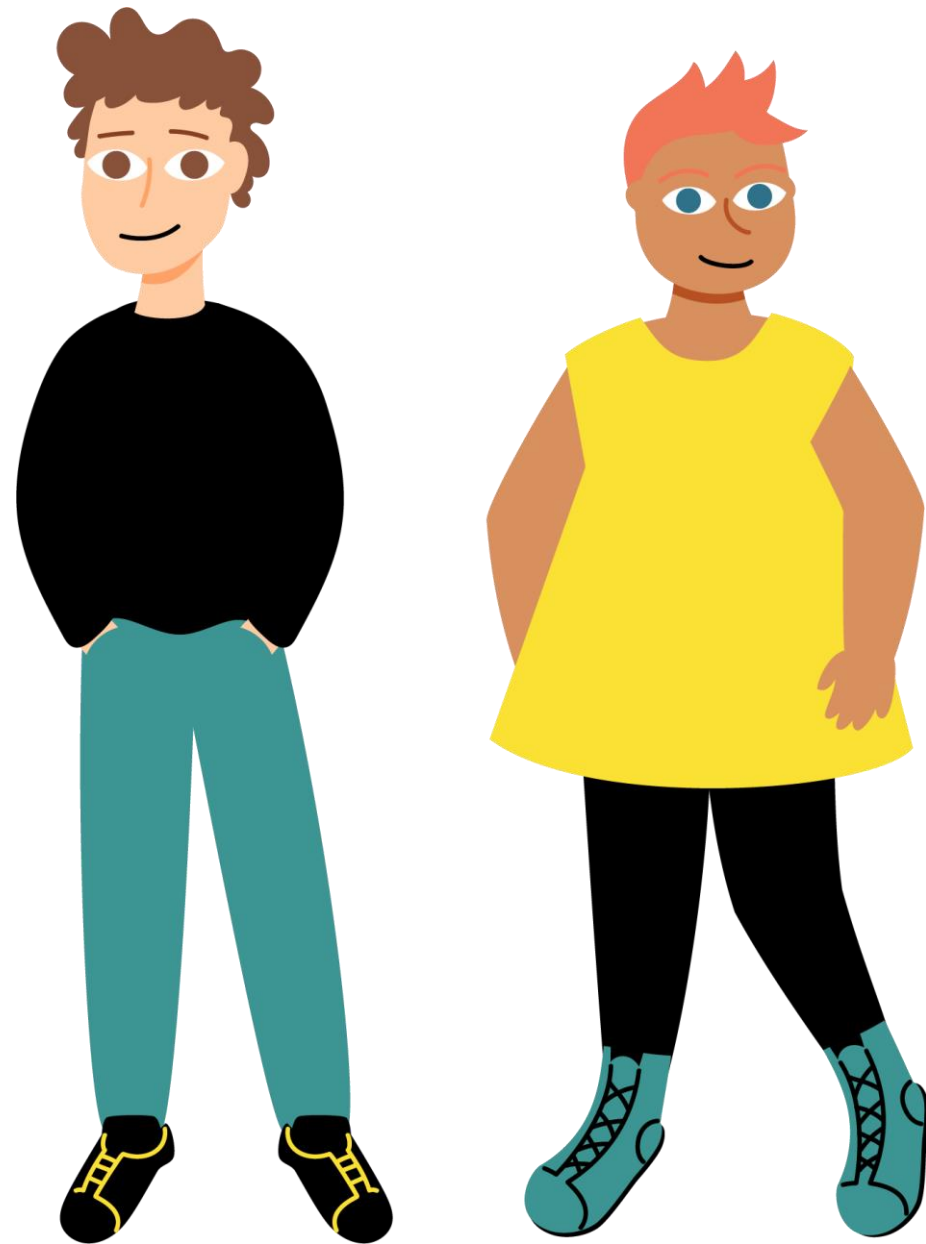


Nausea

Are there any side-effects?

- There might be some minor side-effects
- These are normal and shouldn't last more than a day or two
- Only around 1 in 100 people will develop nausea

Who can have the HPV vaccine?



- Students are offered the HPV vaccine early in secondary school as this is a good time to have it
- If someone misses having the vaccine at school, they can also have the HPV vaccine at their general practice until they are 25 years old
- The vaccine is also available for men-who-have-sex-with-men until they are aged 45 years

Young people's consent

- We recommend young people get agreement from their parent/carer, but it isn't always necessary
- For more information about young people's consent, young people can talk to their school nurse / medical officer



What should someone do if they miss having the vaccine at school?

- If someone misses the vaccine at school, they can talk to the school or their parents/carers about arranging to have it
- Young people can catch up right up until their 25th birthday
- Visit the immunisation team at a clinic or general practice

