



Building Community Around HPV Prevention and Related Disease Management

8th Annual Us vs. HPV Week
January 26-30, 2026

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Hosted by the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) & the Global Initiative Against HPV & Cervical Cancer (GIAHC).

Building on the foundation from the past seven years, the 2026 Us vs HPV week will discuss the importance of engaging all stakeholders in addressing challenges related to HPV & HPV cancers with the goal of empowering all communities in this global effort.

Agenda Overview

Monday, Jan 26 – 12-1 pm ET

Moving the Needle: A Shared Approach to Evidence and Accountability

Tuesday, Jan 27 – 12-1 pm ET

From the Ground Up: Empowering Communities to Prevent HPV

Wednesday, Jan 28 – 10-11:15 am ET

Hope, Hurdles and the Way Forward: The Global Drive to End Cervical Cancer

Thursday, Jan 29 – 12-1 pm ET

HPV Cancer: Finding Support and Empowerment in the Survivorship Journey

Friday, Jan 30 – 12-1 pm ET

Igniting Action: Young Changemakers Leading the Way in HPV Prevention

MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2026, 12PM-1PM ET

Moving the Needle: A Shared Approach to Evidence and Accountability

Moderator:

Bisi Alli, DO, MS, FACP, dipABLM, FAMWA

Co-Chair HPV Prevention Week & Board Member, American Medical Women's Association; HEAL Scholar, American College of Lifestyle Medicine; National Rep. & AMWA Liaison, American College of Physicians

Overcoming Barriers to Cervical Cancer Screening

Sarah Temkin, MD

Senior Director, Early Detection, American Cancer Society

Bridging Generations, Building Futures: Cervical Cancer and HPV Prevention from Community to Digital Innovation

Kellen Polingyumptewa

Manager, Hopi Cancer Support Services, The Hopi Tribe

Aligning Priorities: Strengthening HPV Vaccination Delivery Among Young Adults

Namoonga M. Mantina PhD, MSPH, MBA

Researcher, University of Arizona Cancer Center

Live Question/Answer Session



TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2026, 12PM-1PM ET

From the Ground Up: Empowering Communities to Prevent HPV

Moderator:

Paru S. David, MD

Assistant Professor of Medicine
Vice Chair-Women's Health Internal Medicine
Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science

HPV and Cervical Cancer

John Farley, MD

Assistant Dean Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging
Creighton University School of Medicine-Phoenix
Campus

Expanding the Role of Nursing in HPV Prevention and Patient Education

Stephanie Boyle MSN, RN, CNML

Nursing Manager, Women's Health Internal Medicine
Instructor in Nursing
Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science

Increasing HPV Awareness and Vaccination Through Strategic Communication and Community Engagement on a College Campus

Tyler Struver

President, ForkHPV at Arizona State University
Undergraduate student, Barrett, The Honors College

Live Question/Answer Session with Kathryn Haavik

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026, 10-11:15 AM EST

Hope, Hurdles and the Way Forward: The Global Drive to End Cervical Cancer

Moderators:

Shobha S. Krishnan, MD, FAAFP

Founder & President, Global Initiative Against HPV and Cervical Cancer (GIAHC); Co-Chair, HPV Prevention Week, AMWA

Kathleen M. Schmeler, MD

Professor, Gyn. Oncology & Reproductive Medicine;
Assoc. Vice President, Global Oncology, Division of Cancer Network; University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Opening Remarks

Congresswoman Kathy Castor (FL-14)

Co-Lead, Prevent HPV Cancers Act

Translating Science into Impact - An IPVS 2025 Update

Anna Giuliano, PhD

Director, Center for Immunization & Infection Research in Cancer (CIIRC); President, International Papillomavirus Society

From Local Impact to Global Action: Advancing Cervical Cancer Elimination Through Partnership and Leadership

Zainab Shinkafi Bagudu Dr

CEO/Founder, Medicaid Cancer Foundation
President Elect, Union For International Cancer Control

From Awareness to Action: Mobilizing Communities for Cervical Cancer Prevention

Mridu Gupta

CEO, Cancer Awareness Prevention and Early Detection Trust (CAPED), India

From Policy to Practice: Driving National HPV Prevention Strategies in Latin America

Mauricio Maza, MD, MPH

Regional Advisor, Cancer Prevention and Control
Pan American Health Organization (PAHO/WHO)

Live Question/Answer Session

Guest Appearance: Catharine Young, PhD

Senior Fellow, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public health
Former Biden Cancer Moonshot, White House, Office of Science and Technology Policy



THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2026, 12PM-1PM EST

HPV Cancer: Finding Support and Empowerment in the Survivorship Journey

Moderator:

Alice Lin, MD

Director of Otolaryngology and Assistant Professor
Kaiser Permanente School of Medicine

From Both Sides of the Bed: An ER Doctor's journey with HPV-Related Throat Cancer

Roxana H. Yoonessi-Martin, MD, JD

Attending Physician, Emergency Medicine
Kaiser Permanente Los Angeles Medical Center

Finding Flexibility Again: Managing Neck and Throat Tightness after Radiation

Ashok Jethwa, MD

Assistant Professor, Otolaryngology
University of Minnesota

Heather Erickson

Speech Language Pathologist, MHealth Fairview
University of Minnesota

Florence John MD, MPH

Assistant Professor, Director of Cancer Rehabilitation
PM&R Residency Program Director
University of Minnesota

The Role of Patient Advocacy in HPV Prevention

Amanda Hollinger MPA

Executive Director
Head & Neck Cancer Alliance

Live Question/Answer Session

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2026, 12-1 PM EST

Igniting Action: Young Changemakers Leading the Way in HPV Prevention

Moderator & Speaker:

Mitali Chaudhari

Youth HPV Champions, Co-Founder
Outreach Chair, GIAHC Young Leaders

GIAHC Young Leaders Program Overview

McKenna Stoudemire

Vice Chair, GIAHC Young Leaders; Medical Student,
University of Colorado School of Medicine

Anisha Pethkar

Fundraising Committee Chair, GIAHC Young Leaders
Medical Student, Chicago Medical School

Voices on the Hill: Youth Advocates in Action

Siddarth Balagopal

Student, River Hill High School

Uniting Young Changemakers for HPV Prevention: Building a Healthier Future Together

Marissa Malchione, MS

Senior Manager, HPV Initiative & Global HPV
Consortium, Sabin Vaccine Institute

REACH: A Vision to Victory

Wambui Gachunga

Biomedical Engineering Ph.D. Candidate
University of Florida

Alina Wilson

MSc Control of Infectious Diseases Candidate
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Celebrating Leadership: HPV Champion Award Presentation

Eileen Barrett, MD, MPH, MACP, FAMWA

AMWA President; Chair Emerita, Board of Regents-American College of Physicians; Senior Medical Director & VP, Quality, Workit Health

Live Question/Answer Session