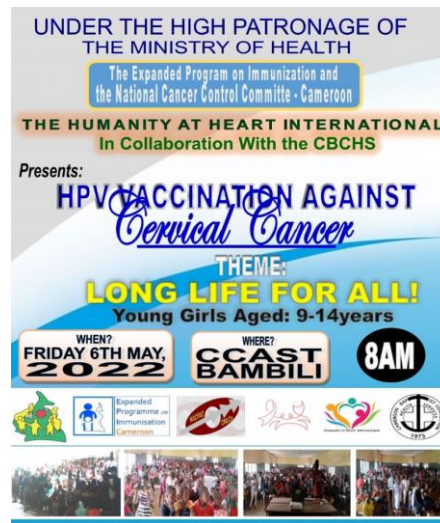


WORLD IMMUNIZATION WEEK 2022

The World Immunization Week, celebrated in the last week of April, aims to highlight the collective action needed to promote the use of vaccines to protect people of all ages against disease. From April 25-30 2022, World Immunization week was celebrated worldwide under the team 'Long live for all'.

Following this, the Women's (WHP) of the Cameroon Baptist Health Services (CBCHS) together at Heart International under the of the Ministry of Health (Expanded program of and the National Committee for cancer) took to their feet to communities about the Human vaccine. Two communities were selected for this exercise (school and church) to vaccinate 500 girls.



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The purpose of this was to

- To create awareness of HPV and its prevention
- To vaccinate all young girls aged 9-14years
- To join in the fight against cervical cancer following the cervical cancer elimination call by the World Health Organization and the strategy put in place for 2030 and how to meet the 90,70,90 target.



The school community: The school community of CCAST Bambili in the North wear Region of Cameroon was visited following permission from the school authorities. This school has a female population of over 200 girls between 9-14 years. Health education was given to the students with a question and answer session at the end. Consent forms were then given to the girls who were eligible for the

vaccine for parental consent before the vaccination was done. A total of 55 students were vaccinated against the Human Papillomavirus.



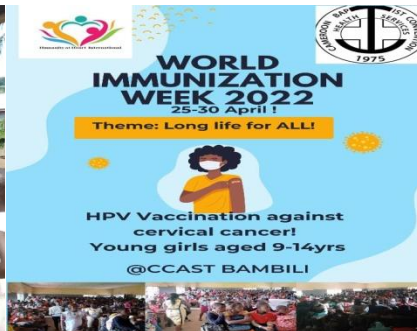
The church community: The Baptist church community of Ntui health district in the Centre Region of Cameroon was one of the communities visited during this period. Health education was given to both parents and the girls on the prevention of cervical cancer. The parents who consented brought in their girls for vaccination. A total of 201 girls were vaccinated in this community.

Community	Number of girls vaccinated
CCAST Bambili	55
Ntui	201
Total	256
Percentage vaccinated	51.2%

Challenges and lessons learned

Few girls 51.2% were vaccinated as a result of limited sensitization and the myths and misconceptions surrounding the HPV vaccination. With greater sensitization, more girls can be prevented from cervical cancer through vaccination.

Conclusion: The campaign was a success. Our appreciation goes to the students and families who consented to this vaccination exercise.



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