



GIAHC: A YEAR IN REVIEW

JANUARY - DECEMBER 2023

As we approach the final days of 2023, we at GIAHC are proud to share with you our accomplishments in 2023.

In January, we co-hosted the **Us vs. HPV webinar week** for the fifth year in a row, along with the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) and Indiana University National Center of Excellence. As in previous years, we were honored to have several national and international experts present at the event. Our speakers discussed diversifying HPV Efforts for Health Equity, Innovations, Empowerment & Solutions in Global Cervical Cancer Prevention, and Raising Awareness to End HPV-Related Cancers.



CONGRESSWOMAN KIM SCHRIER, MD, MADE THE OPENING REMARKS

Other highlights included our participation at in the **35th International papillomavirus society conference** (IPVC 2023) in Washington DC. Our students were very engaged preparing flyers for our booth at the event and being active on social media. Dr. Krishnan was privileged to reconnect with old and new researchers, clinicians and other health professionals shared knowledge and ideas on papillomaviruses and their associated diseases, from basic science to global health impact.



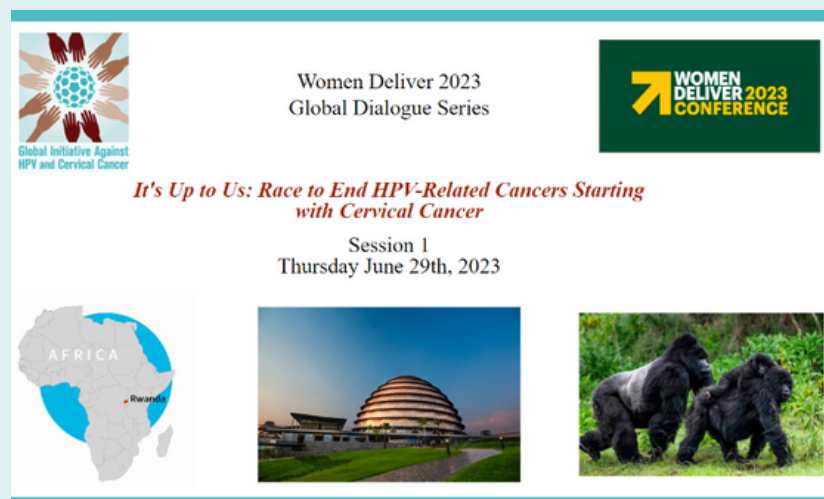
GIAHC FLYER FOR IPVC 2023



GIAHC ARTICLE IN HPV WORLD 2023

In addition, we were privileged to have an article written by GIAHC Young Leaders published in **HPV World (HPW)** – the official newsletter of the International Papillomavirus Society, during the week of IPVC 2023. HPW is devoted to disseminating messages on HPV with clinical relevance and make them widely available.

We were equally delighted to host a global dialogue series at **Women Deliver 2023** titled **“It’s Up to Us: Race to End HPV- Cancers starting with Cervical Cancer”**. We were joined by experts and experienced speakers in the field from around the world to further our goal of raising HPV awareness. Young leaders also joined these dialogues, showcasing their work through presentations, social media, and other various art forms. Overall, these sessions were designed to inspire individuals and organizations who wanted to learn more about HPV awareness and the cervical cancer elimination movement and the tools and resources that are available to get involved.



WD2023 GLOBAL DIALOGUE SERIES



In fall of this year, Dr. Krishnan was invited to attend the **World Cancer Leaders’ Summit** (WCLS) In Long Beach, CA. WCLS offers global decision-makers a privileged platform to interact and shape how governments, NGOs, and other stakeholders can work together and shape the task of eliminating cancer as a life-threatening disease for future generations. Here, we were privileged to meet several leaders and plan some exciting project for the upcoming year.

This was followed by in-person sessions at WD2023 conference in Kigali, Rwanda where further talks were held on the topic. Dr. Krishnan interacted with other world leaders on the opportunities and challenges to eliminate cervical cancer as public health problem.



WITH ESTEEMED COLLEAGUES, LEADERS, AND PATIENT ADVOCATES AT WCLS

In honor of Cervical Cancer Elimination Day

Vaccines for Suriname



November 17th,
2023 to January
26th, 2024



GIAHC AND ITS YOUNG LEADERS
ARE DELIGHTED TO WORK WITH
VACCINE AMBASSADORS TO
RAISE FUNDS TOWARDS
DONATING 6000 HPV VACCINE
DOSES FOR SURINAME. EACH
DOSE COSTS USD 11.50.



Most recently GIAHC Young Leaders partnered with **Vaccine Ambassadors** to raise funds towards donating 6000 HPV vaccine doses for Suriname. Each dose costs USD 11.50. The fundraising campaign officially commenced on November 17th, Cervical Cancer Elimination Day and will conclude during Us vs. HPV on Friday, January 26th, 2024.

If you'd like to donate please visit:

<https://www.giahc.org/donate/> and enter "Suriname" under the "Add comment" box.

Cervical cancer elimination and digital technology

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MEDICAL IMAGING AND BIOMEDICAL DIAGNOSTICS | OPINION | REAL WORLD EVIDENCE

Social media and other digital platforms to empower women, patients, and survivors to increase awareness and advocacy efforts to accelerate elimination.

They harness the power of social media and other digital platforms to bring cervical cancer survivors together, spread awareness, educate and provide support. Numerous online platforms and communities exist, such as Medicaid Cancer Foundation and the Global Initiative Against HPV and Cervical Cancer, reaching a vast audience. These platforms foster empowerment and solidarity to make cervical health a priority.

Finally, our social media committee lead by **Ariana Montesdeoca** has been so honored to have been mentioned in an opinion piece authored by a Senior Health Policy Advisor at Roche, titled "**Cervical Cancer Elimination and Digital Technology**". It discusses how GIAHC has used "digital technologies to accelerate cervical cancer elimination and reduce healthcare disparities in low- and middle-income countries, ultimately empowering global efforts towards the elimination of this disease" (Sofiat Akinola, 2023).

GIAHC IS NOW A PROUD MEMBER OF COALITION FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS !

"The **Coalition for Adolescent Girls (CAG)** is an organization dedicated to supporting, investing in, and improving the lives of adolescent girls. They drive new and improve existing programming, policies, and investments that promote the opportunities and rights of adolescent girls. CAG members envision, and strive toward, a world where adolescent girls are fully able to realize their rights, navigate challenges, and access opportunities during the transition from childhood to adulthood and beyond".

GIAHC PARTNERS WITH THE GLOBAL HPV CONSORTIUM, AN INITIATIVE LED BY THE SABIN VACCINE INSTITUTE

The **Global HPV Consortium** is a public-private movement to prevent Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) infection and eliminate cervical cancer as a public health concern. The initiative is led by the Sabin Vaccine Institute.



GIAHC YL Corner

In 2023 the GIAHC Young Leaders have been busy with initiatives, collaborations, and outreach events!

January: Our Committee Leaders presented during the Friday session of Us vs HPV Week Webinars: "It's Up to Us: Raising Awareness to End HPV-Related Cancers"

February: GIAHC YL and AWHC marked **World Cancer Day** by launching a fundraiser for a program in Kenya to screen for cervical cancer

March: March 4th is International HPV Awareness Day, the day that the global spotlight shines on a virus that we have the tools to eliminate and the ability to prevent the cancers that HPV can cause. Our young leaders made posts and videos to mark the day

April: Adolescent World Immunization Week social media campaign and GIAHC attends the IPVC 2023 Conference in Washington DC, USA

May: GIAHC's YL work featured in HPV World (HPW) – the official newsletter of the International Papillomavirus Society. GIAHC's outreach committee continues to work hard to spread HPV awareness, they presented: "Embracing the Power of Youth: Champions Against HPV-Associated Cancers" at **Brooklyn College: HPV Collegiate**, which was very well received.



June-July: GIAHC YL led a Global Dialogue Series for Women Deliver 2023. GIAHC attends the Women Deliver 2023 Conference

August: Welcomed new committee leaders and members

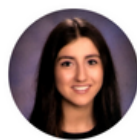
September: Gynecological awareness month social media campaign

October: GIAHC partners with The Global HPV Consortium, an initiative led by the Sabin Vaccine Institute to combat HPV infections and eradicate cervical cancer as a major public health issue. GIAHC attended the World Cancer Leaders Summit

November: In honor of **Cervical Cancer Elimination Day** of Action, GIAHC YL joined Vaccine Ambassadors to raise funds to donate 6,000 HPV vaccine doses for Suriname

December: Preparing for 2024 Us vs HPV Prevention Week

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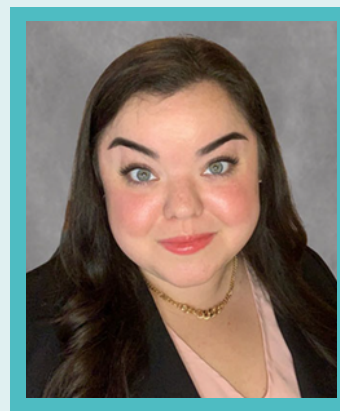
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2023 HPV & CERVICAL CANCER CHAMPION AWARD



The 2023 Award was presented to **Elise Vance**. Elise was GYL's chair for three years and was instrumental in building its social media presence.

Congratulations Elise!

2024 US VS. HPV PREVENTION WEEK

The 2024 Us vs HPV webinar series will take place from January 22-26. The webinars are intended for health care providers, parents, patients, community leaders, women's health advocates, students, young leaders and the general public. People of all genders can benefit from these talks. A live panel discussion will be hosted at the end of each session to answer audience questions.

New this year: New for 2024 : Due to the overwhelming response to GIAHC's Women Deliver 2023 Global Dialogue series – It's Up to Us: Race to End HPV-related Cancers starting with Cervical Cancer, we have planned to continue this lively discussion during the Us vs. HPV Prevention week, with expanded hours and timings to accommodate a wider global audience.

The event will take place on Wednesday, January 24, 10-11.30 AM EST.

Special event: We are very excited to inform you that our session on Wednesday will be followed by a virtual congressional briefing from 12-1 PM EST. Dr. Krishnan will be one of the presenters to the congressional staff, alongside several other patient advocates and experts from HPV Coalition led by Healthywomen. This requires a separate registration [here](#).

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