

The Dutch vaccination program against the HPV virus was a failure. Numerous parents and/or 12-year-old-girls refused the vaccination. An immense public (online) debate arose over the necessity of preventing cervical cancer later in life versus all the potential dangers and consequences of a vaccination.

In the documentary **Once Upon a Vaccination** director Maartje Nevejan, herself mother of a 12-year-old daughter, struggles with the decision whether to vaccinate or not, and with the question who she should trust to justify that decision. What starts out as a search for the truth about the vaccination turns into a study on doubt, decision-making and, ultimately, trust.



The discussions with the daughter are brief but delightful. The daughter is surprisingly smart, down-to-earth, sweet and decisive. The film gives a good portrayal of a modern democratic family.
~ NRC Handelsblad

Search for the truth about cervical cancer vaccinations results in a study on how to learn to live with doubt. Mankind is condemned to two colliding cerebral hemispheres. Conquer your fear, life is beautiful!
~ De Stentor

Serious documentary about the dangers of vaccination against cervical cancer that also makes you laugh.
~ Algemeen Dagblad

- ◆ Duration: 58 min
- ◆ Produced by IDTV Docs and HUMAN
- ◆ Scriptwriter and director: Maartje Nevejan
- ◆ Director of photography: Brigit Hillenius
- ◆ Sound: Mark Wessner
- ◆ Editing: Paul de Heer
- ◆ Post-production sound: Hugo Dijkstal
- ◆ Commissioning editors HUMAN: John Appel,
- ◆ Peter Delpout, Niek Koppen
- ◆ Creative producer: Suzanne van Voorst

Once Upon & Vaccination

~ De Prik & Het Meisje ~

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