

## UK coroner says tumor likely killed girl

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(AP) -- A British coroner says a girl who died after receiving a vaccine against cervical cancer was likely killed by a tumor.

Natalie Morton collapsed Monday about two hours after being given Cervarix, a vaccine which protects against two viruses that can cause cervical cancer.

Deputy coroner Louise Hunt said Thursday at an inquest into the teenager's death "it appears that Natalie died from a <u>tumor</u> in her chest involving her heart and her lungs."

Her mother and stepfather say that Natalie was "kind, fun-loving and had a beautiful smile. We will miss her very much."

Britain's National Health Service began offering the <u>Cervarix vaccine</u> to teenage girls last year. More than 1.4 million doses of the <u>vaccine</u> have been given out so far.

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