

MENINGOCOCCAL VACCINES FOR PRETEENS AND TEENS

Meningococcal vaccines help protect against the bacteria that cause meningococcal disease. Meningococcal vaccines are the best way to protect adolescents from getting meningococcal disease

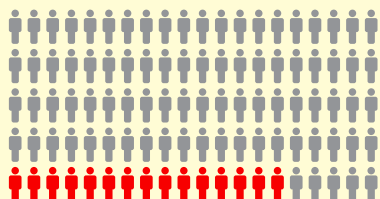
The two most common types of illnesses include infections of the:



Lining of the brain and spinal cord (meningitis)



Bloodstream



Even with treatment, about **10** to **15** out of **100** people with meningococcal disease will die from it.

- ✓ All **adolescents** should get **2 doses** of the meningococcal conjugate ACWY (MenACWY) vaccine.
- ✓ They should get the **first** dose at ages **11-12** and a **booster** dose at **16** years old.

DOSE

1

Ages 11-12

before entering the 7th Grade

DOSE

2

Age 16

before entering the 12th Grade

- 2 doses of **MenACWY** vaccine are **required** for school enrollment/entry.
- 2 doses of **MenB** vaccine are **recommended** after 16 years of age.



SAFE



EFFECTIVE



LONG-LASTING

Please talk with your child's healthcare provider today about getting vaccinated against meningococcal disease.

<https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/immunization/requirements/>

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