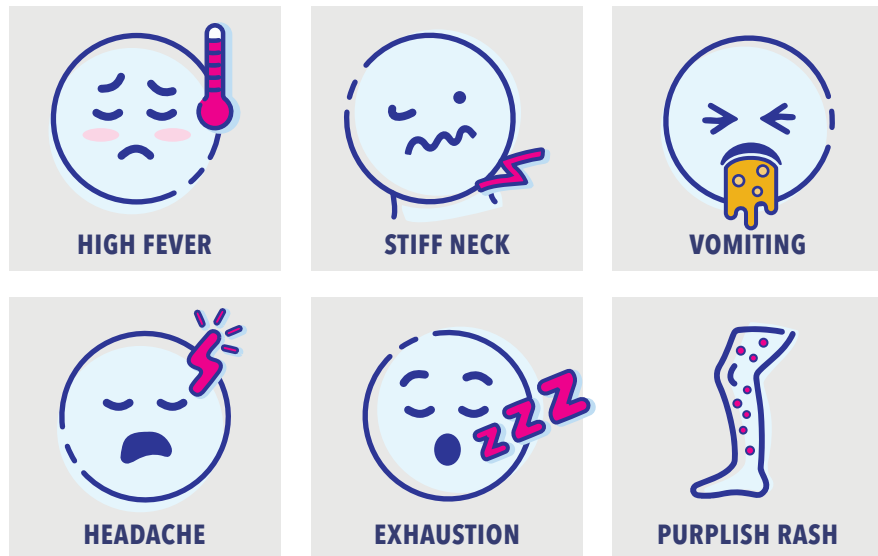


WHAT IS MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS?

Meningococcal bacteria can cause a life-threatening bloodstream infection (sepsis) or meningitis (infection of the lining around the brain), or both.

It can attack without warning and **SYMPTOMS INCLUDE:**



IT'S MORE COMMON THAN YOU THINK

Meningococcal meningitis can affect all ages, and it can occur anywhere.

It is more common among those

16-23

because of how young people socialize

Meningitis B is more than

5x

more common in college students vs. non-college students

Meningitis B cases have been reported in

30+

college campuses between 2013-January 2023

FEW ARE FULLY VACCINATED

against meningococcal meningitis.

Only

3 OUT OF 10

17-year-olds have received their first dose of the MenB vaccine.

It can kill in as little as

24 HOURS.

Or cause permanent complications: brain damage, hearing loss, learning disabilities or limb amputations.

The most common form of bacterial meningitis in adolescents and young adults.

MAINLY CAUSED BY 5 types of meningococcal bacteria: **A-B-C-W-Y**

It is **EASY TO SPREAD** from person-to-person.



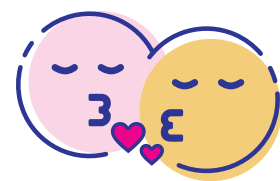
sharing anything that comes in contact with **SALIVA**



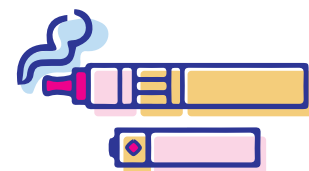
being in **CLOSE** quarters



being **SNEEZED** or coughed upon



KISSING



E-CIGS and **VAPES**

WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

It takes two types of meningitis vaccines - MenACWY and MenB - to be fully vaccinated against meningococcal meningitis, but few people have received both vaccines. **Ask your healthcare provider today.**

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Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, World Health Organization, National Foundation for Infectious Diseases, Journal of the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society. See meningitisactionproject.org for details.

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