

# Meningococcal Vaccine Questionnaire for College Students

New Jersey law requires that new students enrolling in a public or private institution of higher education in New Jersey to have received meningococcal vaccines as recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). There are two types of meningococcal vaccines that might be required depending on your age and your risks: the meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MenACWY) that protects against serogroups A, C, W, and Y disease; and the meningococcal serogroup B vaccine (MenB) that protects against serogroup B disease.

**MenACWY (Menactra® and Menveo®)** vaccine is routinely recommended at ages 11-12 years with a booster dose at 16 years. Adolescents who receive their first dose of MenACWY vaccine on or after their 16th birthday do not need a booster dose. Additional doses may be recommended based on risk. People 19 years of age and older are not routinely recommended to receive the MenACWY vaccine unless they are first-year college students living in residential housing or if another risk factor applies.

**MenB (Bexsero® and Trumenba®)** vaccine is routinely recommended for people ages 10 years or older with high-risk health conditions. People 16-23 years old (preferably at ages 16-18 years) may also choose to get a MenB vaccine.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** To assist in determining which meningococcal vaccines may be required for you, review each of the indications in the table below, both by age and by increased risk. Place a checkmark in the box next to each indication that applies to you.

By age indication		
Age	MenACWY Requirement	MenB Requirement
<input type="checkbox"/> ≤18 years of age, not at increased risk	✓ Vaccine required	✗ Vaccine not required*
<input type="checkbox"/> ≥19 years of age, not at increased risk	✗ Vaccine not required	✗ Vaccine not required*
By increased risk indication		
Indication	MenACWY Requirement	MenB Requirement
<input type="checkbox"/> First-year college student living in residence hall or military recruit	✓ Vaccine required	✗ Vaccine not required*
<input type="checkbox"/> Complement component deficiency or use of a medication known as a complement inhibitor (e.g., eculizumab)	✓ Vaccine required	✓ Vaccine required
<input type="checkbox"/> No spleen or problem with spleen – including sickle cell disease	✓ Vaccine required	✓ Vaccine required
<input type="checkbox"/> HIV infection	✓ Vaccine required	✗ Vaccine not required*
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel to an area where the disease is common. Check <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/travel">www.cdc.gov/travel</a> for travel-related risk	✓ Vaccine required	✗ Vaccine not required*
<input type="checkbox"/> Work in a laboratory with meningococcal bacteria ( <i>Neisseria meningitidis</i> )	✓ Vaccine required	✓ Vaccine required
<input type="checkbox"/> Part of an outbreak as declared by public health officials—you will be notified if this applies to you	Vaccine required if outbreak caused by serogroup A, C, W or Y	Vaccine required if outbreak caused by serogroup B

\*Though MenB vaccination is not required, persons 16-23 years old may choose to receive MenB vaccine to provide short-term protection against most strains of MenB disease. Learn more about meningococcal disease and MenB vaccination at: [www.cdc.gov/meningococcal](http://www.cdc.gov/meningococcal).

Please consult with your healthcare provider if you have questions about the meningococcal vaccines or if you need to receive the vaccines to attend a New Jersey institution of higher education.

