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Meningococcal disease is caused by the bacterium *Neisseria meningitidis*. It is a common cause of bacterial meningitis and sepsis. The disease is highly contagious and can spread through respiratory droplets, such as those produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It can also spread through direct contact with the mouth of an infected person, such as kissing or sharing drinks.

Meningococcal disease is most commonly found in crowded settings, such as college dormitories, military barracks, and day camps. It is also more common in the winter months. The disease is most common in young adults, particularly those aged 16 to 24. It is also more common in people who have a weakened immune system, such as those who are taking immunosuppressive drugs or who have a chronic illness.



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- Health plans of self-employed individuals
- Health plans of small businesses

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Meningococcal Disease

Fact Sheet



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There are several different types of meningococcal disease, each caused by a different strain of the bacterium. Some types are more common than others, and some are more serious than others.

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Symptoms may include:

- A sudden high fever



Other symptoms may include a rash, joint pain, and a stiff neck.

If you think you or someone else may have meningococcal disease, you should seek medical attention immediately. Early diagnosis and treatment can improve the chances of survival.

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What should I do?

Should I get vaccinated?

Yes, if you are:

• Pregnant

• A caregiver

• A child

• An adult

• A traveler

• A recruit

• A military

• A child

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• Vaccine against the 'B' strain.

Others who should receive the vaccine:

- Infants, children and adults with certain medical conditions
- People exposed during an outbreak
- Travelers to the 'meningitis belt' of sub-Saharan Africa
- Military recruits

Please speak with your health care provider if you may be at increased risk.

What are the meningitis signs and symptoms?

- Sudden onset of fever, headache, stiff neck, vomiting, confusion, irritability, and sensitivity to light
- Swollen lymph nodes, joint pain, rash, and meningitis

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