



WHO:

Neisseria meningitidis



















DANGER OF:2,3

















SIDE EFFECTS OF THE VACCINE: 2







*These refer to the Men ACWY vaccine as per the HSE Immunisation Schedule.

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Men B Men C Men ACWY

MORE TOOLS
TO COMBAT IT:4,5



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DISEASE:

Neisseria Meningitidis is a bacteria that can cause meningitis (inflammation of the linings of the brain and spinal cord), sepsis and lead to death. The onset of meningococcal disease can be rapid and can occur at any age, but especially in children under one year of age. The next highest at risk group are those aged 15-19 years. The symptoms include pyrexia (fever), neck stiffness, joint pain and headache. Meningitis can also cause serious longterm health problems.1-3



VACCINES TO COMBAT IT: 1-3

MORE TOOLS TO COMBAT IT:

-Hand washing⁴

-Antibiotics⁵



Meningococcal B Vaccine

Meningococcal C Vaccine

Meningococcal **ACWY Vaccine**



HOW:

Contagious bacteria are spread by close contact with an infected person³



LEVEL OF MORTALITY:

50/1000²

LEVEL OF DANGER:

a major disability such as brain damage or loss of limbs.^{2,3}

















SIDE EFFECTS OF THE **VACCINE:**



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The most common side effects of the vaccine are pain/redness where the vaccine was given, headache, fever, feeling sick, tiredness.

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