## Ages and school grades in which meningococcal vaccines are routinely administered, in each province and territory



| Provinces and territories | Meningococcal vaccine types  Please see notes 1-3 for more information about meningococcal vaccine types |   |  |
|---------------------------|--|---|--|
|                           | Men-C-C  | Men-C-ACYW  | MenB   |
| BC                        | 2 months: 1 <sup>st</sup> dose<br>12 months: 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose  | Grade 9: 1 dose                                     | N/A  |
| AB                        | 4 months: 1 <sup>st</sup> dose<br>12 months: 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose  | Grade 9: 1 dose                                     | N/A  |
| SK                        | 12 months: 1 dose  | Please see note 4                                   | N/A  |
| MB                        | N/A Please see note 5  | 12 months: 1 dose<br>Grade 6: 1 dose                | N/A  |
| ON                        | 12 months: 1 dose  | Grade 7: 1 dose                                     | N/A  |
| QC                        | 18 months: 1 dose  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of secondary school:<br>1 dose | N/A  |
| NB                        | 12 months: 1 dose  | Grade 9: 1 dose                                     | N/A  |
| NS                        | 12 months: 1 dose  | Grade 7: 1 dose                                     | Students/people 25 and younger who will be attending a post-secondary institution, or who are a military recruit, who will be living in a congregate setting for the first time:  2 doses  Please see note 7 |
| PE                        | 12 months: 1 dose  | Grade 9: 1 dose                                     | Students who will be/are attending a post-secondary institution, and who will be/are living in residence:  2 doses   |
| NL                        | 12 months: 1 dose  | Grade 4: 1 dose                                     | N/A  |
| YK                        | 2 months: 1 <sup>st</sup> dose<br>12 months: 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose  | Grade 9: 1 dose                                     | N/A  |
| NT                        | 2 months: 1 <sup>st</sup> dose<br>12 months: 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose  | Grade 12: 1 dose  Please see note 6                 | N/A  |
| NU                        | 12 months: 1 dose  | Grade 9: 1 dose                                     | N/A  |

## Notes:

- 1. Meningococcal conjugate C (Men-C-C) vaccines protect against meningococcal type C.
- 2. Meningococcal conjugate ACYW (Men-C-ACYW) vaccines protect against meningococcal types A, C, Y, and W-135.
- 3. Meningococcal B (MenB) vaccines protect against meningococcal type B.
- 4. In Saskatchewan: Beginning on September 1, 2026, the Men-C-ACYW vaccine will be routinely offered to Grade 8 students who were born on or after January 1, 2013. Until then, please talk to your doctor, nurse, pharmacist, or local public health office about getting your child the Men-C-ACYW vaccine.
- **5. In Manitoba**: Since March 2024, the meningococcal conjugate ACYW (Men-C-ACYW) vaccine has been offered following the Immunization Schedule for Infant and Pre-School Children instead of the Men-C-C vaccine.
- **6. In the Northwest Territories**: The Men-C-ACYW vaccine is offered only to Grade 12 students who will be attending post-secondary institutions or who are military recruits who will be living in a congregate setting.
- 7. In Nova Scotia: Incoming post-secondary students *must* be living in a congregate setting operated by the post-secondary institution (such as a dormitory or residence) to be eligible to receive the MenB vaccine. For more information regarding who is eligible to receive the MenB vaccine free of charge in Nova Scotia, please see the government of Nova Scotia's webpage on meningococcal vaccines: <a href="https://novascotia.ca/meningococcal-vaccines/#:~:text=As%20part%20of%20Nova%20Scotia's,increased%20risk%20at%20no%20cost">https://novascotia.ca/meningococcal-vaccines/#:~:text=As%20part%20of%20Nova%20Scotia's,increased%20risk%20at%20no%20cost</a>.
- **8.** If your child or teen needs to catch up on their vaccines, is immune compromised, or has a chronic health condition, please talk to your healthcare professional about when they should receive their vaccines. They may also be able to access the MenB vaccine for free in certain jurisdictions. You can also visit the Public Health Agency of Canada website for more information: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/provincial-territorial-immunization-information/provincial-territorial-routine-vaccination-programs-infants-children.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/provincial-territorial-immunization-information/provincial-territorial-routine-vaccination-programs-infants-children.html</a>.