

## ABOUT THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR MENINGITIS PREVENTION (ASMP)

Patti Wukovits and Alicia Stillman each lost their young, healthy daughters too soon to Meningitis B, a disease that is now preventable through vaccination. In 2012, high school senior Kimberly, 17, Patti's daughter, died one week before her graduation. In 2013, college sophomore Emily, 19, Alicia's daughter, died just 36 hours after her first symptoms. In 2014, to educate the public about meningococcal meningitis and meningitis vaccination, both mothers established foundations named after their daughters. Patti and Alicia have since joined forces to launch the American Society for Meningitis Prevention (ASMP) to make sure other families don't needlessly suffer the same fate.

In the case of Kimberly and Emily, they didn't have a chance to be fully vaccinated against meningococcal meningitis. *Today, you do.*

The goal of ASMP is to empower all people to take action to prevent meningococcal meningitis. Help us achieve a world without meningococcal meningitis.



EMILY STILLMAN  
9/11/93 - 2/2/13

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Want to get involved  
or learn more about ASMP?

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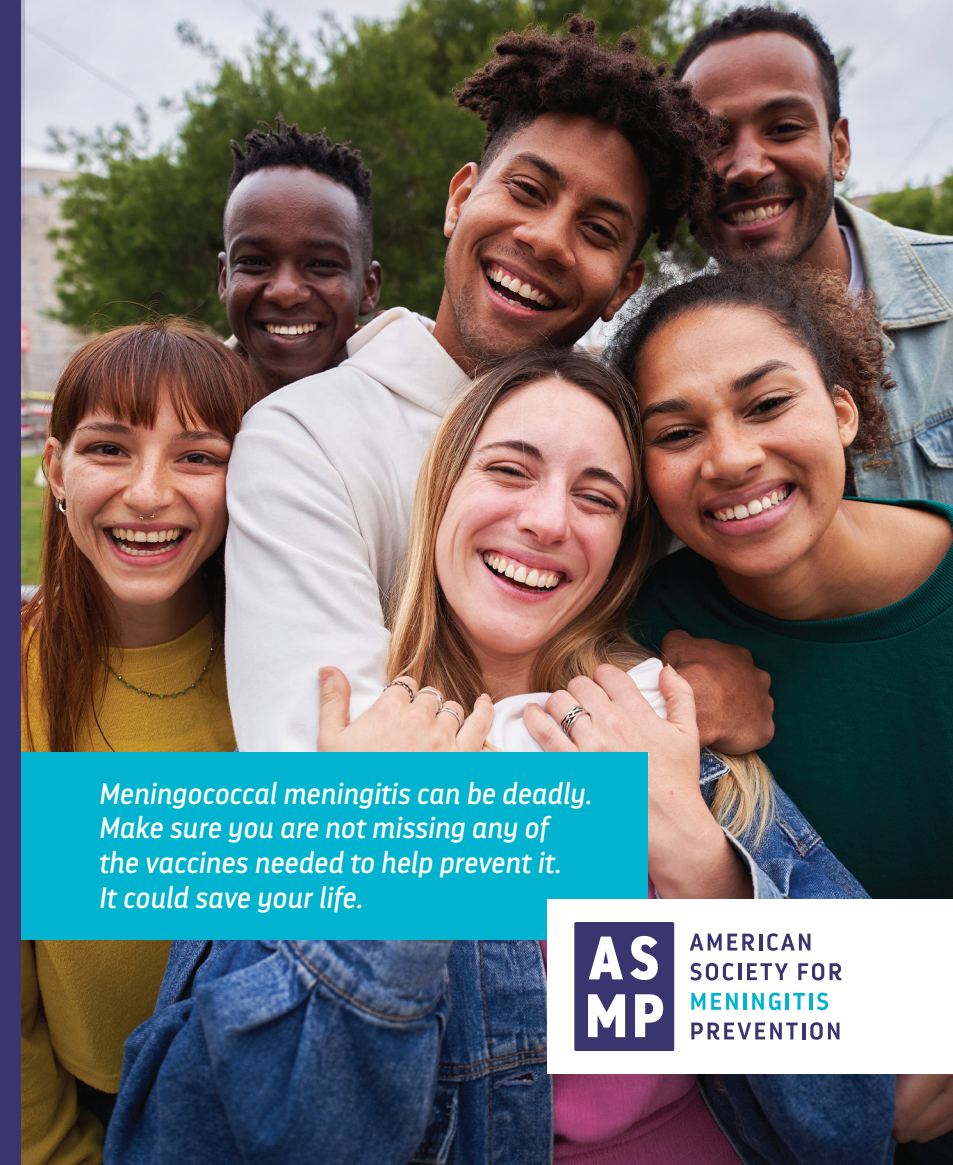
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## YOU CAN PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS!

That's something  
to smile about.



*Meningococcal meningitis can be deadly. Make sure you are not missing any of the vaccines needed to help prevent it. It could save your life.*

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# WHAT IS MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS?

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

**MENINGOCOCCAL BACTERIA** can cause a life-threatening bloodstream infection (that may lead to sepsis) or meningitis (infection of the membranes that surround the brain and spinal cord) - or both.

**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

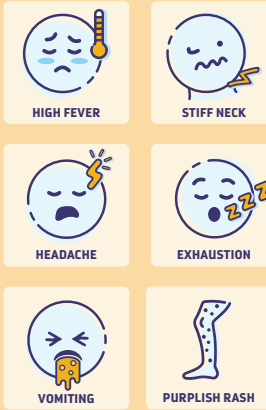
**KISSING**

**E-CIGS** and **VAPES**

**MAINLY CAUSED BY**

5 types of meningococcal bacteria:  
**A B C**  
**W Y**

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



**MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS CAN AFFECT ALL AGES,** but adolescents and young adults are among the high-risk groups.

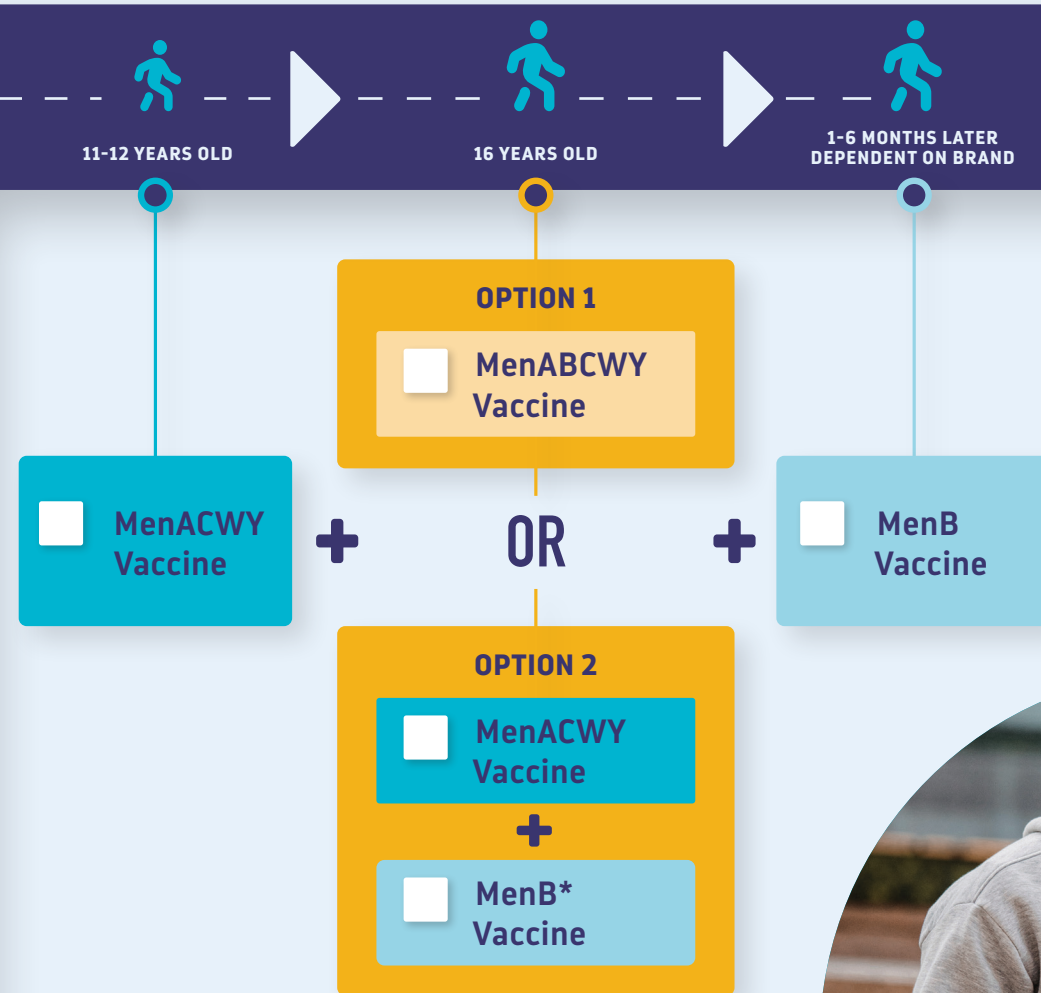
**IT CAN BE DEADLY.** It can kill in as little as 24 hours or cause permanent complications: brain damage, hearing loss, learning disabilities or limb amputations.

**MOST SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS DON'T INCLUDE ALL MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS VACCINES.** You may think you are protected against meningitis, but few people are fully vaccinated against meningococcal meningitis.

# ARE YOU MISSING ANY OF THE VACCINES NEEDED TO HELP PREVENT MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS?

Make sure you are vaccinated against **ALL 5** types of meningococcal bacteria most likely to cause meningococcal meningitis: A-B-C-W-Y.

You and your healthcare provider can choose from two options recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):



Did you know not **ALL** healthcare providers are talking to their patients about **ALL** meningococcal meningitis vaccines?

**Take charge of your health. Start the conversation with your healthcare provider now.**

**Check the boxes!**

Ask your healthcare provider if you have received all the necessary meningitis vaccines.



\* The CDC recommends that the MenB vaccine may be given between 16-23, preferably between 16-18.