



MENINGOCOCCAL ACWY (NIMENRIX)

Information for parents/guardians

What is Meningococcal ACWY disease?

Meningococcal disease is an uncommon but serious disease which can escalate quickly and cause complications such as meningitis, septicaemia and loss of limbs and death.

Young children and teenagers are most at risk.

Vaccine Recommendations

Meningococcal ACWY vaccine is funded through the NIP for certain groups including all children aged 12 months and all adolescents 14-16 years.

Vaccine Doses

A free dose of meningococcal ACWY vaccine is given at 12 months of age.

If you would like your child to be covered at an earlier age the vaccine can be given from 6 weeks of age.

Children beginning the course at age 6 weeks to 5 months will require 2 paid doses (8 weeks apart) and then a free dose at 1 year of age.

Children beginning the course at 6 months – 11 months require 1 paid dose and then a free dose will be given at 12 months of age (8 weeks between doses).

This vaccine is safe to be given on the same day as other vaccines on the National Immunisation Program.

Further information

For further information about Meningococcal ACWY vaccine refer to the Better Health Channel website: <https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/healthyliving/meningococcal-disease-immunisation#menigococcal-acwy-vaccination>

Bookings and Payment

Book and pay online by scanning the QR code or via the Whitehorse City Council website at: <https://www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au/living-working/people-and-families/immunisation>

