

# Meningococcal Group C Conjugate Men-C-C Vaccine



***Don't Wait, Vaccinate!***

This vaccine protects children against meningococcal group C infections and their complications.

Diseases	Meningococcal disease symptoms:	Meningococcal disease causes:	Possible complications:
	High fever (sudden onset) Severe headache Vomiting Stiff neck Rash (or small bruises) Sensitivity to light Sleepiness / confusion Coma (severe cases)	Septicaemia (blood poisoning) Meningitis (infection of the lining of the brain & spinal cord)	Deafness Loss of limbs Heart damage Permanent brain damage Death (8-15% of cases)

This disease is easily spread by direct contact with the saliva, sputum or nasal mucous of an infected person, most commonly by coughing, sneezing, or kissing.

The meningococcal conjugate vaccine is safe and is usually given to babies at 12 months of age. Inform your health care provider if your child has allergies or previous reactions to a vaccine.

Vaccine	Possible side effects:	What to do:
	Swelling, redness and/or tenderness at the injection site.	Apply a cold, damp cloth to the area.
	Other reactions may be high-pitched crying, irritability, drowsiness, vomiting, diarrhea, decreased appetite, sleepiness or rash.	Usually mild and goes away in 1-3 days. See a health care provider if symptoms are serious or persist.
	Child may run a slight fever (less than 10% of cases). A high fever, which is rare, may cause seizures.	See a health care provider if you are concerned about symptoms.
	Severe allergic reactions are very rare. Most severe reactions occur shortly after receiving the vaccine.	It is important to wait 15 minutes after the injection for observation before leaving the clinic. Seek immediate medical attention if experiencing a severe reaction.

## For more information go to:

[www.immunize.ca](http://www.immunize.ca)

[www.healthcanada.gc.ca/vaccinate](http://www.healthcanada.gc.ca/vaccinate)

[www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization](http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/services/first-nations-inuit-health/family-health/immunization.html>