



Meningococcal ACWY Catchup Program

The School Immunisation Program for 2019 includes Meningococcal ACWY (Nimenrix) for all year 10 students only. Until 31 December this year, young people aged 15 to under 20 years of age are eligible for a government funded Meningococcal ACWY catchup program.

Eastern Health Authority is offering this vaccination service to students attending your school in other year levels (within the relevant age bracket) for free.

Meningococcal is a rare, but very serious, often life-threatening disease with adolescents aged between 15 and 20 years at increased risk. Available vaccination for Meningococcal includes protection from B strain (Bexsero – provided at year 10 and year 11 at school) and A, C, W & Y strains (Nimenrix). W & Y strains are becoming more prevalent in Australia, with Meningococcal W having a higher fatality rate than other types of Meningococcal disease.

We strongly encourage those eligible for this vaccination to visit one of our clinics in order to protect themselves from this disease.

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