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### Get vaccinated!

Vaccination is essential to protect yourself!

#### What is meningococcus B?

Meningococci B are bacteria found in the throat and nose. They are **contagious** and can be transmitted **through airborne droplets or saliva**, in case of close and prolonged contact with a carrier.

The bacteria occasionally invade the body and cause meningococcal infection, which is an acute severe bacterial infection. Invasive meningococcal disease (IMD) is a major cause of meningitis and septicaemia.

# Invasive meningococcal B infections cause the following symptoms:



Severe headache



Red or purple spots on the skin



Confusion, drowsiness



Stiff neck



Sensitivity to bright light



High fever



Nausea, vomiting



Muscle pain and joint pain

IF YOU HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS, CALL 15!

#### Any questions?

Call the hotline : 0800 35 00 17

#### Vaccination process

The Bexsero® vaccine consists of an initial injection followed by a second injection at least 4 weeks later.

### How does it work?

#### Several vaccination options are available:



By a private breton healthcare professional: doctors, pharmacists, midwives, nurses



In a vaccination center:
Beaulieu campus, near Villejean campus
(at Askoria), Bréquigny high school
and Rennes School of Business

## If you get vaccinated by a doctor, a pharmacist, a midwive or a nurse in Brittany,

you will need:



- your health insurance card (carte vitale)
- your insurance card (carte de mutuelle)
- · your health record if you have one

If you are a minor, you must present a parental authorisation signed by both parents (<u>model on the ARS Bretagne website</u>).



If you are vaccinated by a doctor, nurse or midwife, remember to collect your vaccine from a pharmacy beforehand, and bring your prescription with you.

#### If you get vaccinated in a vaccination center,

you will need:



- your identity card
- · your health record if you have one

If you are a minor, you must present a parental authorisation signed by both parents (model on the ARS Bretagne website).



The cost of vaccination by outpatient healthcare professionals is covered by the French National Health insurance and supplementary health insurance, and free at vaccination centers.