

Meningococcal Quick Facts

Legislation

Senate Bill 1107 (effective January 2012)

SB 1107, 82 (R) Legislative Session, requires all entering (new and transfer) students less than 30 years of age, to show evidence of an initial bacterial meningitis vaccine or a booster dose during the five-year period preceding, and at least 10 days prior to, the first day of the first semester in which the student initially enrolls at an institution. <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/ED/htm/ED.51.htm#51.9192>

Senate Bill 819 (Effective September 2009)

SB 819, 81 (R) Legislative Session, requires first time students of institutions of higher education, including transfer students, who residing in on-campus housing, to show evidence of bacterial meningitis immunization.

Senate Bill 31 (effective September 2001)

SB 31, 77th Legislative Session, requires the Texas Education Agency (TEA), in collaboration with DSHS, to provide information regarding bacterial meningitis and its vaccine to students and parents each year.

DSHS Rules via Texas Administrative Code (TAC): School Requirement

Texas Administrative Code, Title 25, Part 1, Chapter 97, Subchapter B Rule 97.63

Texas adopted a meningococcal vaccine requirement effective for school year 2009-2010 for 7th grade. Each school year an additional grade is phased in until all students in grades 7-12 are required to have one dose of meningococcal vaccine.

Population Estimates

16-18 year-old

ACIP medical recommendation for booster of MCV for adolescents ages 16-18

Projected state population ages 16-18 in 2011 – 1,079,865

51% VFC-eligible: (MCV4 is VFC-covered for this population)

49% non-VFC: (private insurance, private pay, private stock)

College Students

Estimated number college students affected by law¹ – Fall 2012: 536,000

Vaccine Costs

State contract pricing (accessible to state public entities):

Menveo[®] (Novartis): \$83

Menactra[®] (Sanofi): \$91

Public sector cost (according to CDC):

Menveo[®] (Novartis): \$106

Menactra[®] (Sanofi): \$106

DSHS Immunization Branch effort in support of legislation (as of March 14, 2012)

MCV4 doses purchased: 50,360

Cost of doses purchased: \$3.3 million

Doses administered December 1, 2011 – February 15, 2012: 36,000

Conscientious Objector (CO) Exemption Requests: 5,200 individuals
(200% increase in staff workload from January 2011)

¹ According to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), including both public and private institutions