

# Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccines (MCV4) for Persons Aged 11 Years and Older

# Age Indications for MCV4 (serotype ACWY) Vaccines

Menactra® (Sanofi Pasteur): for aged 9 months through 55 years MENVEO® (Novartis): for aged 2 months through 55 years

#### Indications for Use and Schedule

#### · Routinely administer:

- One dose at aged 11-12 years<sup>1</sup>; 2<sup>nd</sup> dose at age 16 years
- Preferred for ages 56 years & older who previously received MCV4 or who are recommended to receive multiple doses of meningococcal vaccine\*

# · Adolescent catch-up schedule:

- If 1<sup>st</sup> dose given at aged 13 through 15 years, give a 2<sup>nd</sup> dose at aged 16 through 18 years<sup>2</sup>
- If 1st dose given at age 16 years or older, a 2nd dose is not recommended

#### · Minimum Interval

- 8 weeks between 2 doses for all ages

#### Vaccine Administration

- $\cdot$  Intramuscular (IM) injection in the deltoid of the  $\mbox{arm}$ 
  - 1-1.5 inch, 22-25 gauge needle

and then Menactra at least 4 weeks later4

- · Use professional judgment in selecting needle length
- Give simultaneously with all vaccines with this exception:
  If using Menactra\* for asplenic persons, ensure PCV133 is given first

## Storage and Handling

- Store in the refrigerator between 35°-46° F (2°-8° C); Do NOT freeze
- ·Stand-alone storage units are preferred
- · Keep in the original box; Do Not freeze
- · Menactra is ready to use; shake well
- · Menveo must be reconstituted
  - Draw up MenCYW liquid (diluent)
  - Add to Men A vial; invert; shake well
- · Administer vaccines immediately after drawn up in syringe



## \*Persons with Certain Medical or Other Risk Conditions

- Persons aged 11 years & older with persistent terminal complement deficiency or asplenia (functional or anatomic):
  - 2 dose primary series (0, 2 months) & a booster dose every 5 years thereafter
- Persons aged 11years & older who are at increased risk due to prolonged exposure (e.g., travel to/living in endemic areas, current outbreak, microbiologists exposed to N. meningitidis) or when required (e.g., military recruits, travel to Mecca during annual Hajj):
  - Give 1 dose; if the person remains at increased risk, a booster dose is recommended 5 years later
- Persons with HIV and an indication for vaccination should receive a 2-dose primary series (0, 2 months):
  - Need and interval for booster dose determined by risk factor
  - HIV without another risk factor present, is not a medical indication for meningococcal vaccination
- Ensure students age 21 years or younger who are entering college/living in dorm have received a dose of MCV4 in the last 5 years
  - Consider 1 dose of MCV4 for students age 21 years or younger who are <u>currently attending</u> college, with no dose in the last 5 years
  - MCV4 is not routinely recommended for a healthy person age 22 years or older

## CONTRAINDICATIONS

An anaphylactic (severe allergic) reaction to a prior dose or a component of MCV4 vaccine

# PRECAUTIONS

Moderate to severe acute illness with or without fever

# **FURTHER POINTS**

- Both MCV4 vaccines protect against serotype A, C, W, Y; Serotype B is not in either vaccine; Meningococcal B (MenB) vaccines protect against B
- Persons indicated for a 2-dose primary series who previously received only 1 dose of MCV4, should get a 2nd dose of MCV4 as soon as feasible; forecast the booster dose (if applicable) from the date of the 2<sup>nd</sup> primary series dose
- Persons aged 56 years or older who have never received a meningococcal vaccine and anticipate needing only on dose, MPSV4 (meningococcal polysaccharide vaccine) is preferred
- Persons who inadvertently receive MPSV4 should be revaccinated with MCV4 using a minimum interval of 8 weeks
- Meningococcal Vaccine Information Statement (VIS), can be found at http://www.immunize.org/vis/

<sup>1</sup>If a MCV4 dose is given at age 10 years, will count as the age 11-12 years/1<sup>st</sup> dose of the adolescent series; give next dose at age 16 years

2 Recommended interval is 3-5 years but if unlikely to return at later date, give 2nd dose at age 16 years and at least 8 weeks after last dose

PCV13 is Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine; ensure at least one dose of PCV13 (Prevnar13\*) is given to all persons with asplenia

<sup>4</sup> For persons aged 2 years or older with asplenia, give the PCV13 dose 1<sup>st</sup> and wait 4 weeks before giving Menactra (MCV4-D). Menveo (MCV4-CRM) can be given at the same time or at any interval before/after PCV13.

Resources: "Prevention and Control of Meningococcal Disease, Recommendations of the ACIP", March 22, 2013, located at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs.

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