



**Meningitis Angels
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Inc. is a non profit 501(c)3
organization.**

**Founded in memory of Ryan
Wayne Milley.**

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**Real Faces, Real Lives, Real
Disease, Real Prevention!**

**We are just a few
of the hundreds of
Meningitis Angels
from across the
United States.**

**As you can see we
are not college
freshman but
bacterial
meningitis struck
us all.**

**Some of us were
left with severe
debilitations
including, limb
amputations,
blindness, seizure
and blood
disorders,
learning
disabilities, kidney
failure, brain
damage and
deafness.**

Four of us died..

**Vaccines could
have prevented it.**

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**College freshmen aren't the
only ones who are at risk for
bacterial meningitis.**

What is meningitis?

Meningitis is a dangerous and sometimes fatal inflammation of the brain and/or spinal cord that can leave survivors with serious life-long physical problems such as, organ failure, blindness, deafness, loss of limbs, severe seizures, brain damage and other disabilities.

You should also understand meningococemia and sepsis.

Signs and Symptoms:

Do you know the early signs of meningitis and blood poisoning which could improve detection of the disease and save lives? Unrelenting fever, leg pain, cold hands and feet and abnormal skin color can develop within (12 hours) after infection long before the more classic signs of the illness such as a rash, headache, stiff neck, sensitivity to light and impaired consciousness, debilitation or death.

What parents and students should know:

Meningococcal Meningitis

According to ACIP/CDC children ages (11) years through college freshmen should be vaccinated against meningococcal meningitis. However be informed, all children are at risk.

There are (5) serogroups of the disease. All serogroups are not covered by the current vaccines. However the most common in the United States among infants, children, adolescents and college freshmen are serogroups C & Y which are covered.

Pneumococcal Meningitis.

All infants and toddlers are at risk but those children in daycare, those of American Indian and African American heritage are at a higher risk for pneumococcal meningitis. There is a vaccine to prevent it

There is no vaccine to prevent viral meningitis.



After Meningitis

Many survivors may not only suffer the loss of limbs, major organ damage, blindness, feel alienation from society but also experience these life changes.

General tiredness

Recurring headaches

Difficulty concentrating

Short-term memory lapses

Clumsiness

Giddiness

Balance problems

Depression

Violent temper tantrums

Bouts of aggression

Mood swings

Learning difficulties

Reduced ability in some areas of schoolwork

Deafness

Tinnitus (i.e, ringing in the ears)

Joint soreness/stiffness

Eyesight problems

Epilepsy/seizures

Brain damage

Babyish behavior/extra clingy*

Forgetting recently learned skills*

Demanding attention*

Reverting to bed-wetting*

Wakeful at night (can include nightmares

and sleepwalking

The damage can be life long.

The more reasons to VACCINATE!