

Date: October 15, 2026

From: Dr. Dueck, Medical Officer of Health

Re: Meningococcal Vaccine: Transition from Routine Childhood Men-C-C to Men-C-ACYW

Dear Health Care Provider,

The following information is being provided in addition to physical printouts of the Ontario Ministry of Health's question and answer document that Lambton Public Health includes with all current meningococcal vaccine orders, entitled *Ministry of Health: Qs & As for Health Care Providers: Meningococcal Vaccine Transition*.

This Lambton Public Health advisory further raises awareness regarding the Ministry of Health's transition from the monovalent conjugate meningococcal serogroup C vaccine (Men-C-C) to the quadrivalent conjugate meningococcal serogroups A, C, Y, and W vaccine (Men-C-ACYW) for routine childhood immunization, due to manufacturing changes rather than a shift in the epidemiology of meningococcal disease. Men-C-C vaccine has been discontinued and is no longer available to order in Canada.

With this transition now in effect, two doses of Men-C-ACYW are publicly funded under Ontario's routine immunization program:

- One dose at 12 months of age.
- One dose in Grade 7, aligned with the Canadian Immunization Guide recommendation for Men-C-ACYW vaccine for individuals ages 12 to 24 years of age, even if previously vaccinated with the vaccine as an infant or toddler.

Action for Health Care Providers

To support appropriate vaccine inventory management and minimize wastage:

- Continue administering existing Men-C-C vaccine inventory (Menjugate® Liquid or NeisVac-C®) until vaccine supply is depleted or product expiry.
- Transition to Men-C-ACYW vaccine for routine childhood 12 months of age doses and catch-up immunization once existing Men-C-C vaccine inventory is depleted.
- Do not discard usable Men-C-C vaccines before their expiry date.

If you have any questions about vaccine ordering, please contact Lambton Public Health at vaccineorders@county-lambton.on.ca.

Attached Resources

Please review the Ministry of Health resources for additional information:

- [Ontario's Publicly Funded Meningococcal Immunization Program Letter to Health Care Providers](#)
- [Qs & As for Health Care Providers: Meningococcal Vaccine Transition](#)