



## New Hampshire Chapter

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# NH AAP NEWS

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Our thoughts and  
prayers are with  
Uvalde, TX.

The AAP has been involved for decades in advocacy efforts to address gun violence as a public health issue and advance policies that keep children, families and communities safe.

<https://www.aap.org/en/advocacy/gun-violence-prevention/>

### Are Your Patients Up-to-date With Their Meningitis ACWY and their Meningitis B Vaccine?

June is a fun and exciting time of the year. We prepare for vacations, cook outs, and graduations. Our patients are preparing to leave for college and other endeavors. Are you prepared to have the conversation about meningitis and the vaccines that are available to help prevent meningitis, especially in the at risk 16-23 age group?

Be sure to review your patient's immunization record. Are they up to date with their Meningitis ACWY and their Meningitis B vaccine? If not, have the conversation with your patient and their parent or guardian. Having two types of the meningitis vaccine can make a difference – and could quite likely save the life of your patient.

Need more information for yourself or your patient? Here are some helpful links for you:

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<https://meningitisbactionproject.org/>

<https://meningitisbactionproject.org/faq>

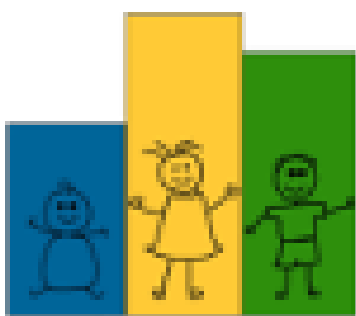
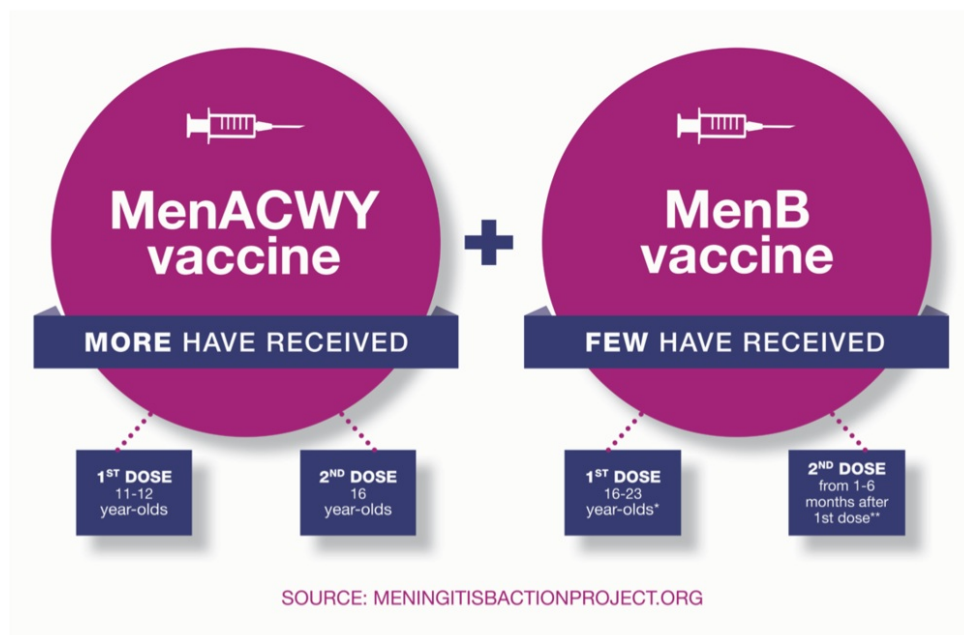
<https://meningitisbactionproject.org/download-resources>

<https://publications.aap.org/pediatrics/article/138/3/e20161890/52662/Recommendations-for-Serogroup-B-Meningococcal>

## Vaccine schedule

Follow-up Analysis Shows Routine Vaccination Rates in Teens and Adults Continue to Lag Behind Pre-Pandemic Levels

### Avalere Data



### **NEW RELEASE: NH Pediatric Mental Health Care Report**

The NH Pediatric Improvement Partnership (NHPIP) has released a **summary report** of findings from an analysis of pediatric mental health care claims data for 2019. Entitled the “New Hampshire Children and Teens Experiencing Mental Health Disorders: An Analysis of 2019 Healthcare Claims Data“, this **report** reviews for the 0-18 population in NH:

- The burden of pediatric mental health conditions
- Mental health conditions and comorbidities with other mental health conditions, and
- Mental health medical and pharmaceutical service utilization

2019 Claims data for both Medicaid and commercially insured child and teens are analyzed.

This **report** was financially supported by the NH Mental Health Care Access in Pediatrics (MCAP) program, a HRSA-funded grant to NH Department of Health and Human Services with partnership from the UNH Institute for Health Policy and Practice

(IHPP) and the NHPIP. NH PIP is a collaborative between the Children's Hospital at Dartmouth and the UNH IHPP.

## BESmart Program

This program educates parents about safe gun storage around children.

[http://besmartforkids.org/?source=fbns\\_besmart-www&utm\\_source=fb\\_n&utm\\_medium=s&utm\\_campaign=besmart-www](http://besmartforkids.org/?source=fbns_besmart-www&utm_source=fb_n&utm_medium=s&utm_campaign=besmart-www)

**BESmart will present at NHAAP's meeting June 8th. Please contact [catrina.watson@nhms.org](mailto:catrina.watson@nhms.org) for more information.**

## VAAAP 43rd Annual Pediatric Primary Care Conference

Hilton Virginia Beach Oceanfront  
July 15 - 17, 2022

For conference details please review the [conference agenda](#).  
[Register Now!](#)

**Opportunities Available:** This is a new section of the newsletter to highlight opportunities to get involved or for help needed. If you have something you want listed, please contact [catrina.watson@nhms.org](mailto:catrina.watson@nhms.org)

NHAAP is looking for chapter members who would like to be part of a chapter interest group on diversity/equity/inclusion (DEI). This would be an informal group that aims to highlight issues in this area for pediatricians. Please respond to [catrina.watson@nhms.org](mailto:catrina.watson@nhms.org).

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## NH AAP meetings

2022 Meetings will be June 8, September 14 and December 14. Meetings will be held virtually until further notice.

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