The vaccine for meningitis A, C, W, Y does not include meningitis B, which is newly approved. All students are highly encouraged to be vaccinated with both types of meningitis vaccine.

What you should know about meningitis:
- Meningococcal disease is a serious illness caused by a bacteria that can infect the bloodstream or areas around the brain and spinal cord.
- The infection causes rapid onset of illness and can be life-threatening within hours.
- Meningitis can lead to brain damage, disability, amputations, and rapid death.
- Common symptoms include stiff neck, headache, fever, rash and flu-like symptoms that progress very rapidly.
- Vaccines can help prevent meningitis.

Students living in dormitories or residence halls are at higher risk of contracting meningitis.

All Arizona universities* require proof of immunity to:

**Measles, Mumps, and Rubella**
(either by receiving two doses of MMR vaccine or showing immunity by a blood test) before students can register for classes, or add or drop classes.

What are the recommended vaccines?

**Meningitis A, C, W, Y**
At least 1 dose at 16 years or older

**Meningitis B**
Two or three doses (by manufacturer)

**HPV (human papillomavirus)**
Two or three doses (by age of receipt)

**Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, & Pertussis)**
One dose

**Varicella or MMR-V (chicken pox)**
Two doses

**IPV (Polio)**
At least 3 doses

**Hepatitis B**
Three doses

**Hepatitis A**
Two doses

**Influenza (flu)**
One dose every fall

*This information applies to Arizona state universities: ASU, UofA, and NAU. Private universities in Arizona and out-of-state universities may have different requirements. Please consult each institution for specific information.*