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Meningitis Banner 2

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6	6_1. (Approximately 10 percent of those who get meningitis will die) The following is a series of statements relating to meningitis. For each of the following, please indicate whether you believe the statement to be true or false:
7	6_2. (Up to 20 percent of those who survive meningitis are left with serious medical problems, including amputation of limbs, brain damage, deafness and organ damage) The following is a series of statements relating to meningitis. For each of the following, please indicate whether you believe the statement to be true or false:
8	6_3. (Teens and preteens are at greater risk of contracting meningitis) The following is a series of statements relating to meningitis. For each of the following, please indicate whether you believe the statement to be true or false:
9	6_4. (Symptoms of meningitis are similar to the flu, making it difficult to diagnose) The following is a series of statements relating to meningitis. For each of the following, please indicate whether you believe the statement to be true or false:
10	6_5. (The vaccination is too new to have a proven history) The following is a series of statements relating to meningitis. For each of the following, please indicate whether you believe the statement to be true or false:
11	6_6. (Death typically occurs within 24 to 48 hours after symptoms of meningitis appear.) The following is a series of statements relating to meningitis. For each of the following, please indicate whether you believe the statement to be true or false:
12	6. (Yes Summary) The following is a series of statements relating to meningitis. For each of the following, please indicate whether you believe the statement to be true or false:
13	7. The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) provides the Public Health Agency of Canada with ongoing and timely medical, scientific and public health advice relating to immunization. The NACI recommends that a routine dose of a meningococcal conjugate vaccine be offered in early adolescence. Knowing this, how likely are you to get your child/children vaccinated?

1. How familiar are you with a bacterial infection called meningococcal disease, commonly called meningitis?

		CHILDREN
	Total	Yes
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Base: All respondents	1014	593
Weighted	1014	560
Very familiar	81	55
	8%	10%
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Somewhat familiar	387	231
	38%	41%
Heard of it but not very familiar	482	250
	48%	45%
Not at all familiar	64	24
	6%	4%
Summary		
Top2Box	468	286
	46%	51%
		K
Low2Box	546	274
	54%	49%

Overlap formulae used. * small base

3. What would you do if your child complained of a stiff neck and developed a sudden high fever and/or small irregular purple spots?

	Total
Base: Have children	593
Weighted	560
Take my child to the emergency room immediately	403
	70%
Make an appointment with my doctor	93
	18%
Wait 24 to 48 hours and re-evaluate	53
	10%
Nothing	11
	2%

G/H/I - J/K Overlap formulae used. * small base; ** very small base

4. Which of the following do you believe are ways of getting meningococcal meningitis from someone who already has it?

	Total
Base: All respondents	1014
Weighted	1014
Coughing or sneezing	526
	52%
Sharing drinking glasses	470
	46%
Kissing	453
	45%
Sharing eating utensils	450
	44%
Living in close quarters	330
	33%
None of the above	265
	26%

G/H/I - J/K Overlap formulae used. * small base

5. Would you be surprised to learn that your province does not have a program to protect children against four of the five vaccine-preventable meningitis bacteria?

	Total
Base: All respondents	1014
Weighted	1014
Yes	599
	59%
No	415
	41%

G/H/I - J/K Overlap formulae used. * small base

7. The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) provides the Public Health Agency of Canada with ongoing and timely medical, scientific and public health advice relating to immunization. The NACI recommends that a routine dose of a meningococcal conjugate vaccine be offered in early adolescence. Knowing this, how likely are you to get your child/children vaccinated?

	CHILDREN
	Yes
Base: All respondents	593
Weighted	560
Very likely	268 48%
Somewhat likely	131 23%
Not very likely	46 8%
Not at all likely	38 7%
Already have	78 14%
Don't know	0 -
Summary	
Top2Box	399 71%
Low2Box	84 15%

used. * small base