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## Meningitis Banner 2

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

|                                   |       | CHILDREN |
|-----------------------------------|-------|----------|
|                                   | Total | Yes      |
|                                   |       | J        |
| Base: All respondents             | 1014  | 593      |
| Weighted                          | 1014  | 560      |
| Very familiar                     | 81    | 55       |
|                                   | 8%    | 10%      |
|                                   |       | K        |
| 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%       |
|                                   |       |          |
| <b>Summary</b>                    |       |          |
| 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<br>48% |
| Somewhat likely       | 131<br>23% |
| Not very likely       | 46<br>8%   |
| Not at all likely     | 38<br>7%   |
| Already have          | 78<br>14%  |
| Don't know            | 0<br>-     |
| <b>Summary</b>        |            |
| Top2Box               | 399<br>71% |
| Low2Box               | 84<br>15%  |

used. \* small base