## The need to know facts about

# **Invasive Meningococcal Disease**



Invasive meningococcal disease can be

easily misdiagnosed1,2

While rare, it can have serious consequences including:

#### long-term disability<sup>3,4</sup>



Potential death within 24 hours

after the onset of symptoms<sup>2,6</sup>



is one of the most prevalent groups in the US5



There are five main groups of meningococcal bacteria

(A, B, C, W-135 and Y)

that cause the majority of cases around the world. Until recently, vaccines were only available to help protect against groups A, C, W-135 and Y in the US. Groups B, C and Y cause the majority of cases in the US7.



Even with appropriate treatment, as many as 10% of people with meningococcal disease will die<sup>7,8</sup>



The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that

600 to 1,000

Americans contract meningococcal disease each year9



Almost

1 in 5

survivors will suffer long-term disability<sup>3,4</sup>

### Adolescents and young adults are at risk of

contracting meningococcal disease due to social factors, such as living in college dormitories<sup>7</sup>



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