INSURANCE INFORMATION: Meningitis Vaccine

The Smith College BCBS Student Blue Insurance Plan covers the cost of the vaccine at 100%.

For students with PRIVATE INSURANCE:

1. Check with your insurance provider regarding their coverage of the vaccine(s) for MeningitisACWY or MeningitisB. (If they ask for brand names or CPT codes, see below)

2. Some insurance companies may require that your primary care provider (PCP) provide a referral, pre-authorization, prescription, or that the vaccine be given in a doctor’s office. Some insurance may only cover the vaccine if it is given in a certain facility or by a certain provider.

3. Check your pharmacy benefit to determine if you can receive the vaccine at a retail pharmacy clinic by a pharmacist, such as CVS or Walgreens clinics. In they do, you may go there instead.

4. If your insurance company says they do not cover the Meningitis ACWY and/or the Meningitis B vaccines, inform them that a Smith College student has been diagnosed with bacterial meningitis and an “official outbreak” has been declared by federal and state public health officials in the next town over on the UMass campus, and that the CDC considers this a high risk situation.

5. To determine coverage, process a referral or to process a pre-authorization, you will need to provide the following information: Diagnosis Code, CPT Code, Billing Provider, NPI Number, Name and Address of Facility, Rendering Provider, and Date of Service. Some details may not be known until AFTER the vaccination takes place.

   **Diagnosis Code:** Z20.811 (contact with and (suspected) exposure to meningococcus), due to outbreak status declared by state health and federal health authorities.

   **CPT Code:** 90620 for Bexsero Meningitis B Vaccine
   **CPT Code:** 90621 for Trumenba Meningitis B Vaccine
   **CPT Code:** 90734 for Menactra MeningitisACWY Vaccine

   **Billing Provider:** Leslie R. Jaffe, MD (if given at Smith College)
   **NPI Number:** call us if this is needed.

   **Name and Address of Facility:** (if given at Smith College)
   Smith College Pelham Medical Services
   21 Belmont Avenue, Northampton, MA 01063
   T: 413-585-2250 F: 413-585-4639
   **Date of Service:** The day you received the vaccine.

   **Rendering Provider:** The provider that administered the vaccine.

Menactra is given one time during an outbreak. NO further dose is required.

**Bexsero is a 2 dose series: Dose #2 is due in 1 month.**

**Trumenba is a 3 dose series: Dose #2 is due in 1 month. Dose #3 is due in 6 months.**

Locate Vaccine at [https://vaccinefinder.org/](https://vaccinefinder.org/)
For Trumenba: [https://www.trumenba.com/how-to-get-trumenba](https://www.trumenba.com/how-to-get-trumenba)