

# VACCINE POINTS

“Vaccine Points” is a bi-monthly communication distributed by the Hawaii Department of Health to all participating Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers.

Test your vaccine knowledge.

Question: Which of the following, if any, is/are CDC/ACIP Category B recommendation(s) for the previously unvaccinated persons listed below? Select all that apply.

- a) Inactivated influenza vaccine for a 25 year old pregnant female
- b) Rotavirus vaccine for a 10 month old unvaccinated female traveling to Southeast Asia
- c) MenB for a previously unvaccinated 16 year old male who had his spleen removed due to a football injury
- d) HPV for a 20 year old previously unvaccinated male
- e) MenB for a previously unvaccinated 18 year old college bound freshman
- f) All of the above
- g) None of the above

Rotavirus vaccine is not recommended for any child over age 8 months 0 days.

- Inactivated influenza vaccine for a 25 year old pregnant female
- HPV for a 20 year old previously unvaccinated male

Category A recommendations also include:

ACIP recommends routine use (recommendation Category A) of MenB vaccines for persons at increased risk for serogroup B meningococcal disease, including persons with functional or anatomic asplenia.

A MenB vaccine series may be administered to adolescents and young adults aged 16-23 years to provide short-term protection against most strains of serogroup B meningococcal disease. The preferred age for MenB vaccination is 16-18 years (recommendation Category B).

Category B recommendations are made for individual clinical decision making.

Category A recommendations are made for all persons in an age or risk factor based group.

Answer: e) Men B for a previously unvaccinated 18 year old college bound freshman

Source: Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) Vaccine Recommendations and Guidelines  
Evidence-Based Recommendations: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/recs/grade/about-grade.html>, p. 1175  
MenB (Category B): <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/wk/mm6441.pdf>, p. 610  
MenB (Category A): <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/wk/mm6422.pdf>, p. 610  
Influenza: <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/66/rr/pdfs/r6602.pdf>, p. 8  
HPV: <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/wk/mm6411.pdf>, p. 302  
Rotavirus: <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/r5802.pdf>, p. 17

