

# TRUMENBA<sup>®</sup> (Meningococcal Group B Vaccine)

## What You Need to Know

### Q. WHAT IS MENINGOCOCCAL GROUP B DISEASE?

**A.** *Neisseria meningitidis* is the bacterium that causes invasive meningococcal disease. Meningococcal group B disease (also known as meningitis B) is one type of meningococcal disease. In the United States, 30% of meningococcal disease cases are group B, in persons 11 through 24 years of age.<sup>1</sup>

### Q. WHAT IS TRUMENBA?

**A.** TRUMENBA is a vaccine to help prevent meningitis B in adolescents and young adults aged 10 through 25 years of age. TRUMENBA only helps protect against meningitis B. There are other meningococcal vaccines that help protect against meningococcal disease caused by groups A, C, Y, and W.<sup>1,2</sup>

### Q. HOW SHOULD TRUMENBA BE GIVEN?

**A.** Trumenba is given as an intramuscular injection. It is a 3-dose series. The second dose is given 2 months after the first dose. The third dose is given 6 months after the first dose.<sup>2</sup>

### Q. WHO SHOULD BE GIVEN TRUMENBA?

**A.** TRUMENBA is indicated for adolescents and young adults 10 through 25 years of age for the prevention of invasive disease caused by *Neisseria meningitidis* group B. TRUMENBA is given in a 3-dose series over 6 months. The second and third doses should be given 2 months and 6 months, respectively, after the first dose. Talk to your healthcare provider about the importance of completing the 3-dose immunization series.<sup>2</sup>

### Q. WHO SHOULD NOT BE GIVEN TRUMENBA?

**A.** TRUMENBA should not be given to anyone with a history of severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of TRUMENBA. Individuals with weakened immune systems may have a reduced immune response. TRUMENBA should only be given to pregnant women if it is clearly needed.<sup>2</sup>

### Q. ARE THERE ANY RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH TRUMENBA?

**A.** TRUMENBA, like any vaccine, could possibly cause serious problems, such as severe allergic reactions. The most common adverse reactions were pain at the injection site, fatigue, headache, muscle pain, and chills.<sup>2</sup>

## Q. WHAT IF THERE IS A SEVERE REACTION? WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR?

A. Look for any unusual conditions, such as signs of a severe allergic reaction, a high fever, or changes in behavior. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include hives, swelling of the face and throat, difficulty breathing, a fast heartbeat, dizziness, and weakness.

### WHAT SHOULD I DO?

- Call 911 or a doctor, or get the person to a doctor right away
- Tell the doctor what happened, the date and time it happened, and when the vaccination was given
- Ask your healthcare provider to report the reaction by filing a Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) form. Or you can file this report through the VAERS website at [www.vaers.hhs.gov](http://www.vaers.hhs.gov), or by calling **1-800-822-7967**

*VAERS does not provide medical advice.*

## Q. HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?

A. Talk with your healthcare provider. Ask for the full Prescribing Information for TRUMENBA and suggestions for other sources of information. You can also

- Go to [www.TRUMENBA.com](http://www.TRUMENBA.com)
- Call your local or state **health department**
- Contact the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) at **1-800-232-4636 (1-800-CDC-INFO)**
- Go to [www.cdc.gov/vaccines](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines)
- Call **1-844-TRUMENBA (878-6362)**, 9 AM to 7 PM ET, Monday through Friday

### INDICATION

- Trumenba is a vaccine indicated for individuals 10 through 25 years of age for active immunization to prevent invasive disease caused by *Neisseria meningitidis* group B
- Trumenba is approved based upon demonstrated immune response against four group B strains representative of prevalent strains in the US. The effectiveness of Trumenba against diverse group B strains has not been confirmed

### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

- Trumenba should not be given to anyone with a history of a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of Trumenba
- Individuals with weakened immune systems may have a reduced immune response
- The most common adverse reactions were pain at the injection site, fatigue, headache, muscle pain, and chills
- Data are not available on the safety and effectiveness of using Trumenba and other meningococcal group B vaccines interchangeably to complete the vaccination series
- Tell your healthcare provider if you are pregnant, or plan to become pregnant
- Ask your healthcare provider about the risks and benefits of Trumenba. Only a healthcare provider can decide if Trumenba is right for you or your child

***You are encouraged to report negative side effects of vaccines to the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Visit [www.vaers.hhs.gov](http://www.vaers.hhs.gov) or call 1-800-822-7967.***

**[Click here for full Prescribing Information.](#)**

**References:** 1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Prevention and control of meningococcal disease: recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). *MMWR*. 2013;62(RR-2):1-28. 2. Trumenba [prescribing information]. Philadelphia, PA: Pfizer Inc; 2015.

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