

**Meningococcal disease is a rare, severe and rapid-onset infection which can result in death within hours, due to blood poisoning (septicaemia) or inflammation of the protective membranes of the brain and spinal cord (meningitis).**

**The disease is most common in babies and adolescents. There is currently no vaccine to protect against the B strain of the disease (Men B) and it accounts for more than 90 per cent of cases in WA.**



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The Vaccine Trials Group - a part of the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research, in conjunction with Princess Margaret Hospital for Children and the University of Western Australia, School of Paediatrics and Child Health - is conducting the study.



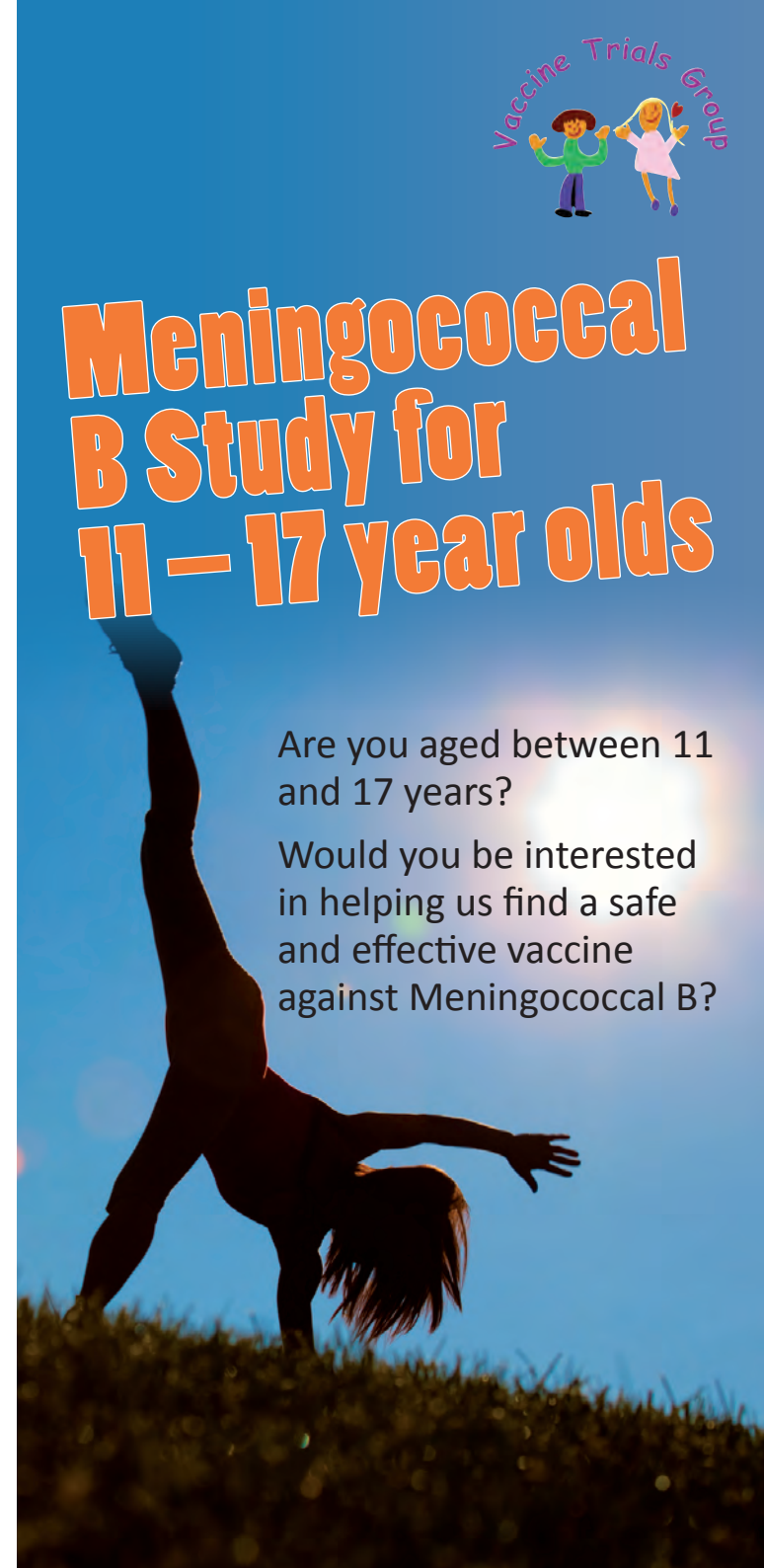
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# **Meningococcal B Study for 11 – 17 year olds**

Are you aged between 11 and 17 years?

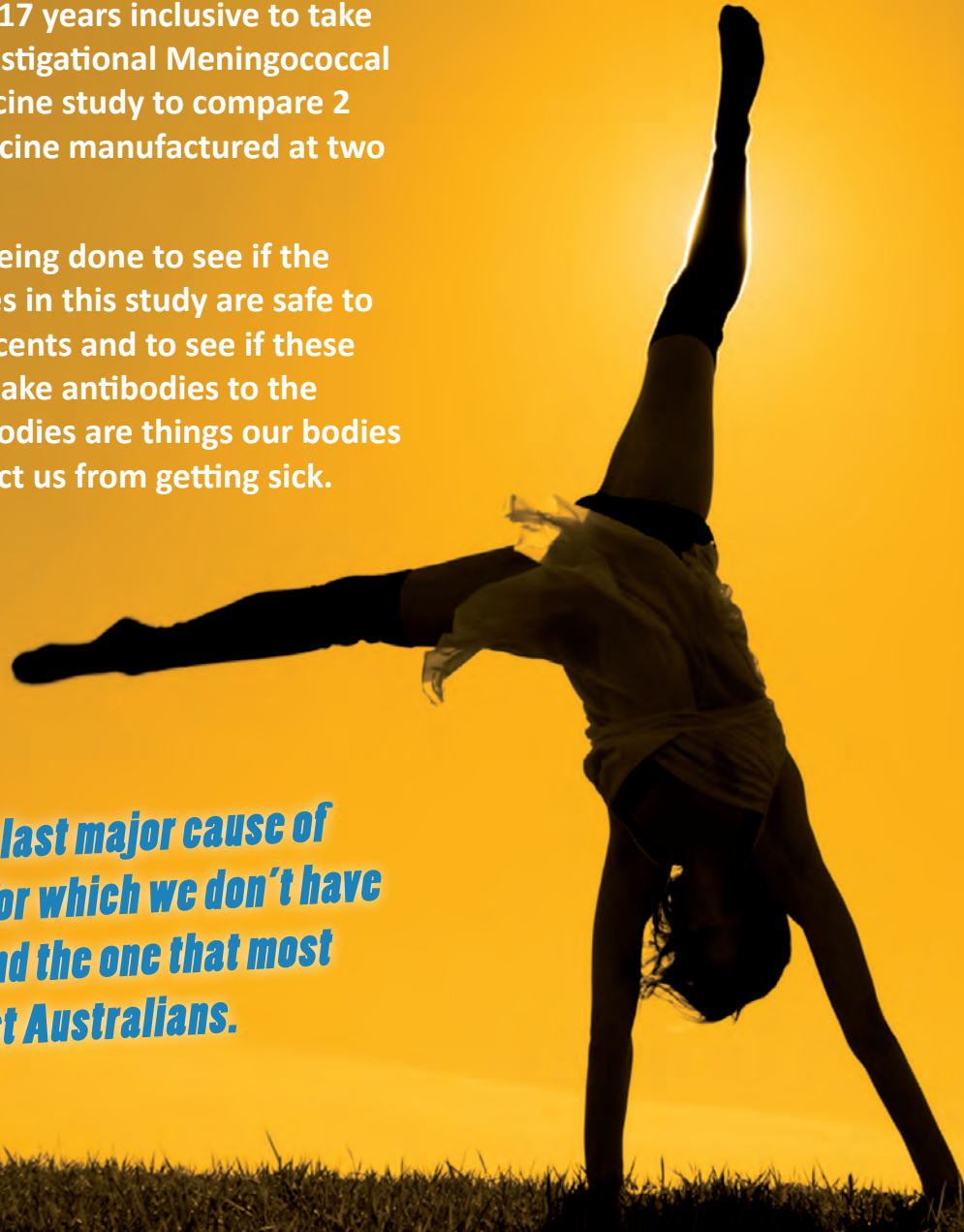
Would you be interested in helping us find a safe and effective vaccine against Meningococcal B?



We need healthy adolescents aged between 11 – 17 years inclusive to take part in an investigational Meningococcal B (Men B) vaccine study to compare 2 batches of vaccine manufactured at two different sites.

This study is being done to see if the Men B vaccines in this study are safe to give to adolescents and to see if these adolescents make antibodies to the vaccine. Antibodies are things our bodies make to protect us from getting sick.

***MenB is the last major cause of meningitis for which we don't have a vaccine and the one that most affects West Australians.***



## **What does the study involve?**

Participants will need to visit our clinic three or four times over two months and have blood taken two or three times.

Participants will receive two vaccinations, one month apart, and will be called by one of the study team a few days after each vaccination.

## **Want to find out more?**

For more information or to book an appointment please contact the research nurses on:

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