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SUBJECT:	Vaccinate B\$U graduate
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Time to share vaccine information with graduating seniors and parents

Dear High School Administrators and School-Based Health Centers,

Please share this timely information with graduating seniors and their parents. Vaccinations recommended for college, including meningitis vaccines ACWY and B, can prevent rare but deadly illnesses. Feel free to use the templates below.

Thank you for helping raise awareness about meningitis and keeping California's graduates safe and healthy!



For Your Newsletter:

Vaccinate B4U Graduate!

A special message for the class of 2019: *Vaccinate B4U Graduate*! Why? Three important reasons:

- 1. To protect your health-the life you save could be your own.
- 2. Colleges require or recommend vaccinations for their students.
- The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program provides free vaccine to eligible students only until their 19th birthdays – vaccination may cost more later.

Watch <u>Scotty's Story</u> about an 18-year-old from Stockton who suddenly died from meningitis type B.



Learn more about meningitis and meningitis vaccines from the California Department of Public Health's <u>Off to College Flyer</u>. Talk to your parents and your doctor about which vaccines are right for you. Whether you're off to college or not, keep your next chapter in your life a healthy one!



Email to Parents:

Celebrate Graduates' Health in 2019: Vaccinate B4U Graduate

Dear parents of graduating seniors class of 2019, did you know that a growing number of colleges are requiring or recommending immunizations? A great way to prepare your child for fall is to vaccinate now! Most teens get the meningitis ACWY vaccination, but fewer get the meningitis B vaccination.



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Text for Graduating Students:

Class of 2019: Vaccinate B4U graduate! Scotty died of meningitis B at age 18. Learn from Scotty's story <u>http://www.shotbyshot.org/stories/scottys-</u> <u>story/</u>. Learn more about meningitis at <u>http://eziz.org/assets/docs/IMM-</u> <u>688.pdf</u>. #meningitis