



The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) and NHS England (NHSE) and partners are coordinating the health response to cases of invasive meningococcal disease.

UKHSA has produced some communications resources which aim to share information about these cases, and to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of meningitis and septicaemia and the action people should take if they require medical attention. These materials can be shared on stakeholder channels.

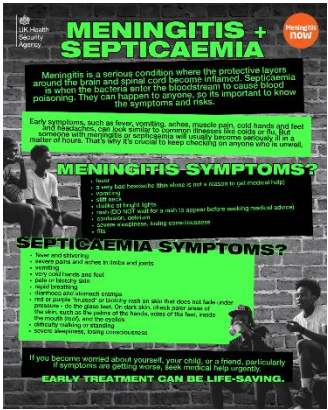
### Media updates

- Any [media statements issued by UKHSA](#) can be found on [GOV.UK](#).

### Blog

- We have updated our [blog on meningitis](#).

### Social media assets

Asset	Suggested post copy
<p>Meningitis + septicaemia signs and symptoms (co-badged with Meningitis Now)</p>  <p>The infographic is titled 'MENINGITIS + SEPTICAEMIA' and features the UK Health Security Agency logo. It explains that meningitis is a serious condition where the protective layers around the brain and spinal cord become inflamed, and septicaemia is when this bacteria enters the bloodstream to cause blood poisoning. It notes that these can happen to anyone and it's crucial to know the symptoms and risks. It lists symptoms for meningitis: early symptoms like fever, vomiting, aches, muscle pain, cold hands and feet, and pain in the neck or stiff neck; and meningitis symptoms: a very hot forehead, blue-tinged or red skin, a rash that doesn't fade, a stiff neck, a headache, and a change in consciousness. It also lists septicaemia symptoms: lower temperature, swollen joints and aches in limbs and joints, vomiting, cold hands and feet, a rash that doesn't fade, rapid breathing, dizziness and drowsiness, and 'mottled or mottled' or blotchy rash on skin that does not fade under pressure on the glass test. It includes a warning: 'If you become worried about yourself, your child, or a friend, particularly if symptoms are getting worse, seek medical help urgently. EARLY TREATMENT CAN BE LIFE-SAVING.'</p>	<p>Cases of invasive meningococcal disease have been confirmed in Kent. It's important to know the signs of symptoms of meningitis and septicaemia. Get more info from <a href="#">@NHSuk</a></p> <p><a href="http://nhs.uk/conditions/meningitis">http://nhs.uk/conditions/meningitis</a></p>

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