

**RCW 70.54.370 Meningococcal disease—Students to receive informational materials.** (1) Except for community and technical colleges, each degree-granting public or private postsecondary residential campus that provides on-campus or group housing shall provide information on meningococcal disease to each enrolled matriculated first-time student. Community and technical colleges must provide the information only to those students who are offered on-campus or group housing. The information about meningococcal disease shall include:

- (a) Symptoms, risks, especially as the risks relate to circumstances of group living arrangements, and treatment; and
  - (b) Current recommendations from the United States centers for disease control and prevention regarding the receipt of vaccines for meningococcal disease and where the vaccination can be received.
- (2) This section shall not be construed to require the department of health or the postsecondary educational institution to provide the vaccination to students.
- (3) The department of health shall be consulted regarding the preparation of the information materials provided to the first-time students.
- (4) If institutions provide electronic enrollment or registration to first-time students, the information required by this section shall be provided electronically and acknowledged by the student before completion of electronic enrollment or registration.
- (5) This section does not create a private right of action.  
[2003 c 398 § 1.]

**Reviser's note:** Substitute House Bill No. 1059, Substitute House Bill No. 1173, and Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1827 were enacted during the 2003 regular session of the legislature, but were vetoed in part by the governor. A stipulated judgment, No. 03-2-01988-4 filed in the Superior Court of Thurston County, between the governor and the legislature, settled litigation over the governor's use of veto powers and declared the vetoes of SHB 1059, SHB 1173, and ESHB 1827 null and void. Consequently, the text of this section has been returned to the version passed by the legislature prior to the vetoes. For vetoed text and message, see chapter 398, Laws of 2003.

**Effective date—2003 c 398:** "This act takes effect July 1, 2004."  
[2003 c 398 § 2.]