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Important Health Alert: Vaccinating Against Meningitis

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The NYC Health Dept. has issued the following recommendations for vaccinating against meningitis after a recent increase in cases:

Meningococcal vaccine should be offered to HIV-infected men who are New York City residents and who report intimate contact with a man met either through an online website, digital application ("app"), or at a bar or party since September 1, 2012.

Meningococcal vaccine should now also be offered to men who have sex with men, regardless of HIV status, if they live in specific areas of Brooklyn (Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brownsville, Bushwick, Clinton Hill, Crown Heights, Downtown Brooklyn, Dumbo, East New York, Prospect Heights, and Williamsburg) and report intimate contact with a man met either through an online website, digital application ("app"), or at a bar or party since September 1, 2012.

For additional information about what to do if you or someone you know is experiencing symptoms, please click HERE or call 311 and ask for the City's Health Department.