TO: All First Year Students FROM: Kristine Goodwin, Vice President of Student Affairs SENT: Mon 10/26/15 SUBJECT: Second Vaccination Clinic Information

Dear Students,

The second dose of the vaccine to protect against the Serogroup B strain of meningitis will be offered to the Class of 2019 on **Saturday, November 7, 2015 from 1:00pm – 5:00pm in Peterson**. The appointment schedule (by residence hall) is below.

- Anyone who received the first vaccine is eligible. Additionally, any student who did not receive the first dose, but would like to begin now, is also welcome to attend.
- There is no cost to any student who wishes to be vaccinated and no proof-of-insurance is necessary.
- Students who have recently received, or would like to receive, a flu shot should not be concerned about also receiving the meningitis vaccination. Per the RI Department of Health, there is no risk to receiving both the meningitis vaccine and the flu vaccine at the same time or in close proximity.

Students should be aware that the first dose of the vaccine provides only minimal protection. It takes 6 months for the vaccinations to take full effect. Completion of the three dose series is critical for achieving immunity. The clinic for the third and final dose in the vaccination series will take place in early March. Students will be provided with further details via email as the date approaches.

Additional information about the vaccine and meningitis in general is available on our website: <u>http://www.providence.edu/health-center/meningitis/Pages/default.aspx</u>. If you have questions or need any additional information, please email Kathy Kelleher, the Director of our Student Health Center, at <u>ckellehe@providence.edu</u>.

## November 7, 2015 Clinic Schedule for the Class of 2019

Time	Residences
1:00	McVinney 2, 3, & 4
1:20	McVinney 5, 6, & 7
1:40	McVinney 8, 9, & 10
2:00	Guzman 1 & 2
2:20	Guzman 3 & Meagher Basement Class of 2019
2:40	St. Joseph Class of 2019
3:00	McDermott Basement & 1 & Commuters Class of 2019
3:20	McDermott 2 & 3
3:40	McDermott 4 & Meagher 1 Class of 2019

4:00	Raymond 2 & 3
4:20	Raymond 4
4:40	Meagher 2 & 3 Class of 2019

Thank you for your cooperation and vigilance. A person can be a carrier of meningitis without any symptoms, so remember to STOP THE SWAP!

Sincerely,



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