MENINGOCOCCAL MENINGITIS IMMUNIZATION

New York State Public Health Law (NYS PHL) §2167 requires us to distribute information about meningococcal disease and vaccination to all campers. This law became effective on August 15, 2003.

Meningitis is rare. However, when it strikes, its flu-like symptoms make diagnosis difficult. If not treated early, meningitis can lead to swelling of the fluid surrounding the brain and spinal column as well as severe and permanent disabilities, such as hearing loss, brain damage, seizures, limb amputation and even death.

Cases of meningitis among teens and young adults 15 to 24 years of age (the age of most college students) have more than doubled since 1991. The disease strikes about 3,000 Americans each year and claims about 300 lives. Between I 00 and 125 meningitis cases occur on college campuses and as man y as 15 students will die from the disease.

A vaccine is available that protects against four types of the bacteria that cause meningitis in the United States - types A, C, Y and W-135. These types account for nearly two thirds of meningitis cases among college students.

To learn more about meningitis and the vaccine, please consult your child's physician. You can also find information about the disease at New York State Department of Health Website: www.health.state.ny.us, or website of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): <u>www.cdc.govincidodidbmdidisease.info</u>

Due to recent outbreaks of serious illnesses, Baiseinu can only accept campers and staff members who are fully up-to-date on their vaccinations.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The camp office MUST be notified if your child is exposed to any communicable disease during the three weeks prior to camp attendance.

If your child has a chronic or acute medical condition, it is imperative that the camp be notified. To speak to the camp nurse regarding confidential medical information regarding your child, please call our office to be directed to the EMT. All information will be held confidential.

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Present Age	HOME ADDRESS
	CITYSTATEZIP
Summer Phone #	
Name of Bungalow Colony	
In Emergency Call: Name	
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