

# Raise Your “Voice” for Meningococcal Disease Awareness

The Kentucky School Nurse Association is committed to helping raise awareness about the seriousness of meningococcal disease and the importance of vaccination for preteens and teens, which is why we have joined the National Association of School Nurses' *Voices of Meningitis* Challenge! As school nurses, we are a trusted -- and sometimes the only -- source of health information for preteens and teens, who are at greater risk of contracting meningococcal disease.

We encourage you to raise your “voice” for meningitis prevention by joining the *Voices of Meningitis Challenge* too! It's simple: use the free *Voices* educational materials to help raise awareness about meningococcal meningitis in *your* school or community, and submit your effort(s) to NASN. Any school nurse who implements an activity and submits a [Voices Challenge Submission Form](#) to NASN will be recognized, and three nurses will be selected to receive a trip\* to the 2012 NASN Annual Conference in San Francisco.

NASN will also provide the three states with the greatest participation in the *Voices Challenge* (as measured by submission forms received) with a sponsored event (up to \$500) at their 2012 Annual Conference.

**No effort is too small to submit to NASN, and with your help, our state's efforts can be recognized.**

To learn more visit [www.VoicesOfMeningitis.org](http://www.VoicesOfMeningitis.org) or the [NASN's Voices Challenge webpage](#).

*\* Up to \$2,000 to cover travel and hotel expenses for duration of meeting; ANCC regulations prohibit payment for registration fees.*