



Measles

ARE YOU PROTECTING THE CHILDREN IN YOUR CARE

Measles is a highly contagious viral disease that may have serious and at times fatal consequences. There are now 10 confirmed cases of measles in Westchester County. Some areas of New York State are currently experiencing a measles outbreak, including the lower Hudson Valley and parts of New York City. This is important to keep in mind, especially with the upcoming holiday season, as families will be traveling.

Do you know if the children in your care are protected from getting Measles? The best way to protect children from becoming infected is to have them vaccinated. The CDC reports that the majority of measles cases were from people who were unvaccinated. It is the Council's belief, as well as the Academy of Pediatrics, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, and the Department of Health, that all children should be vaccinated and remain current with their vaccinations by following the [recommended immunization schedule](#).

See attached for more information about Measles - signs & symptoms, how it spreads, photos, complications, and 4 top things parents need to know about Measles

<https://www.cdc.gov/measles/about/index.html>

Actions Programs Can Take

Share information about measles with parents. Resources include printable fact sheets, posters, and infographics.

- [Measles: Make Sure Your Child Is Fully Immunized](#)
- [Educational Resources for Parents and Child Care Providers](#)
 - Available in [Spanish \(español\)](#)

The infographic below highlights CDC's routine measles vaccine recommendations for children, including special vaccine recommendations for children traveling abroad.

- <https://www.cdc.gov/measles/travel-infographic.html>
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For Childcare Centers and Providers

See the resources for parents, listed above, as well as the items below.

Learn how to protect the children and staff at your child care center against measles, as well as steps to take in the event of a case of measles at your facility.

- [English Cdc-pdf\[1 page\]](#)
- [Spanish Cdc-pdf\[1 page\]](#)



Frequently Asked Questions about Measles in the U.S.

- <https://www.cdc.gov/measles/about/faqs.html>

Do you have any Questions?

Parents:

Call the Westchester County Health Department at 914-813-5000 or your child's health care provider.

Programs and Providers:

Contact Elissa Guzzardi at 914-761-3456 x154 or elissag@cccwny.org