

Memo

To: Healthcare Providers

From: Infectious Diseases Team

Date: November 18, 2024

Re: Local Travel-Related Measles Case



SCAN Me

Haldimand Norfolk Health Unit is reporting a confirmed, travel-related case of measles in an unvaccinated adult. Confirmation is based on clinically compatible signs and symptoms and known contact with a laboratory-confirmed case of measles in New Brunswick.

The case is affiliated with an under vaccinated community and, the case's infectious period was identified as November 7, 2024, to November 15th, 2024. Contact tracing and notification is underway to decrease the potential for local transmission.

Healthcare providers are encouraged to maintain awareness of the potential for local contacts and/or cases of measles and should consider measles in patients presenting with compatible signs and symptoms, especially if they are part of an under vaccinated community.

Please note that both cases and contacts of measles receive investigation through Public Health and should be reported as soon as possible. During regular office hours, suspected cases and contacts can be reported to the Infectious Diseases Team at 519-426-6170 ext. 3438. For after hours and weekends, please contact on-call at 1-877-298-5888.

Additional information and resources are as follows:

HNHU Health Care Professionals webpage – HNHU
[Clinical Office Infection Prevention and Control Checklist for Measles](#)
[Measles Investigation and Reporting Form](#)

[Measles Information for Health Care Providers](#) – Public Health Ontario (September 2024)

- Quick reference for information on diagnosis, testing, and patient counselling.
- Please note that both PCR AND urine are recommended for diagnosis of measles.

[Measles: Post-exposure Prophylaxis for Contacts](#) – Public Health Ontario (September 2024)

- Outlines considerations for measles PEP for contacts of cases.

[Measles Infectious Disease Protocol](#) – Public Health Ontario (March 2024)

- Disease-specific information.

Thank you for your continued diligence in working collaboratively with the health unit.

The Infectious Disease Team

For questions, please contact our Infectious Disease Team at 519-426-6170 ext. 3438 or e-mail us at idt@hnhss.ca For after hours and weekends, please contact on-call at 1-877-298-5888