

SUBJECT: Measles Vaccination Update
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To: Primary Care Providers
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Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (WDG) has recently been designated as a measles risk area due to ongoing local transmission. In response, WDG Public Health now recommends that children receive their measles-containing vaccines **earlier than the usual schedule**. Please refer to the [May 6, 2025 Physician Advisory](#) for full details.

Outreach to Families

Last week, WDG Public Health mailed approximately **4,300 letters** to families of local children identified through our vaccination records as:

- Age 6 to 11 months and having received no measles vaccine doses, or
- Age 12 months and older with zero or only one dose of measles vaccine.

These letters encourage families to contact their health care provider to ensure their child is up to date on measles immunization. You may see increased demand for vaccination appointments as a result.

WDG Public Health continues to offer vaccine appointment in our clinics, focusing on children without a primary care provider.

Reporting Measles Vaccinations

Please continue to report all administered vaccines to WDG Public Health, including for infants and young children. Timely reporting supports our measles outreach and helps us understand who is at risk in our community. Fax vaccination records to **519-836-2986**.

Children Excluded from School or Child Care

When a measles case occurs in a school or child care setting, children who are not fully vaccinated (<2 doses) are excluded for up to 21 days. WDG Public Health contacts these families directly to encourage vaccination.

If a child receives their **second dose** during the exclusion period, they may **return to school or child care immediately**. Please report these doses to WDG Public Health as soon as possible.

A **template letter** is attached for you to provide documentation if requested by your patient.

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