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## **ICHD Urges Vaccination Following Confirmed Measles Case in Child**

**LANSING, Mich.** – The Ingham County Health Department (ICHD) is actively working to contain the spread of measles following a confirmed case. Our Communicable Disease nurses are conducting thorough contact tracing and notifying individuals who may have been exposed.

The child involved in this case had been appropriately vaccinated prior to traveling out of state. However, because the exposure occurred shortly after vaccination, there was not sufficient time for full immunity to develop. As a result, the illness has been relatively mild.

Measles is a highly contagious, vaccine-preventable illness that spreads through airborne transmission and direct contact. To help protect the community, we strongly encourage all individuals aged 1 year and older to ensure they are up to date on the MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccine. The MMR vaccine is safe and effective, providing approximately 97 percent protection with two doses.

The vaccine is available at the ICHD Immunization Clinic, located at 5303 S. Cedar Street in Lansing. For appointments or additional information, please call 517-887-4316 or email [Immunization@ingham.org](mailto:Immunization@ingham.org).

We urge all residents to verify their vaccination status and take necessary precautions to protect themselves and others. As of February 2025, MMR coverage for children aged 19 to 35 months in Ingham County is 83.3 percent, slightly above the state average of 80.0 percent. While this is encouraging, it remains below the threshold required for herd immunity.

Maintaining high vaccination coverage is essential to preventing future outbreaks and safeguarding public health. For more information, visit: [Measles Updates](#)