



Orange County

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PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

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PLEASE DISTRIBUTE TO PEDIATRIC, FAMILY PRACTICE, PRIMARY CARE, EMERGENCY ROOM, INTERNAL MEDICINE, INFECTIOUS DISEASE, OB/GYN AND AMBULATORY CARE STAFF.

PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT #3

Measles in New York City

Five cases of measles occurred in Borough Park, Brooklyn in the past month. A large number of exposures occurred in the community and additional cases are expected to be identified.

- Consider measles in patients of any age presenting with fever and rash.
- If you see a patient who may have measles, report the case to Orange County Health Department immediately at 845-291-2330, twenty-four hours a day. Do not wait for laboratory confirmation before reporting.
- Institute immediate airborne precautions for patients with febrile rash illness.
- Ensure that all children and adults are up-to-date with measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine. Vaccinate children routinely with the first dose of MMR at age 12 months and the second dose at age 4 to 6 years.
- Identify patients in your practice who are not up-to-date for MMR and recall those over 12 months of age who have not yet received a dose of MMR vaccine.
- Ensure all health care workers are immune to measles.

Remember – if you're considering measles in the differential, call Orange County Department of Health at 845-291-2330 immediately 24/7 before you test.