



## URGENT PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT (all GP Divisions) Queensland Health

### Measles outbreak - update to 20 August 2010 alert

#### 1. Measles at McDonald's restaurant, Coolangatta

A NSW resident with measles attended the McDonald's restaurant at 120 Marine Parade, Coolangatta on the morning of Saturday 21 August 2010. **People who attended this restaurant between 8am and 1pm on Saturday 21 August and who:**

- were born during or after 1966; and
- have not had two measles vaccinations

**require MMR vaccine by early morning of Tuesday 24 August or immunoglobulin (NHIG) by early morning Friday 27 August.**

A media release is being generated to advise these people to contact their GP as soon as possible for MMR vaccine. Some of these people may reside outside of the Gold Coast area. **Please prioritise vaccination of these people if possible.** If MMR vaccination is contra-indicated, or if the time period for MMR vaccine has lapsed, so that immunoglobulin is required, please contact your local Public Health Unit for advice.

#### 2. Measles in south-east Queensland

A second measles case has recently been identified in Queensland. The case travelled by motor-home between Byron Bay and Rainbow Beach, stopping at a number of locations on the Gold and Sunshine Coasts during their infectious period.

#### 3. Moranbah measles

As previously advised, there has been a recent case in a mine worker at the Moranbah North mine, inland from Mackay. This person attended a training session with around 150 mine workers/contractors from across Queensland on Saturday 14 August while infectious. A number of the attendees came from areas outside of this area and attempts are being made to contact these people.

**Please be on the alert for cases of measles acquired in Queensland.** Please refer to the public health alert distributed on 20 August 2010 for details of appropriate measles testing and infection control precautions to take with people suspected of having measles.

Please provide opportunistic vaccination for all patients and staff attending your practice born since 1966 who do not have documented evidence of two doses of MMR vaccine.

To access the urgent public health alert sent on 20 August 2010, please go to [www.gpqld.com.au](http://www.gpqld.com.au).

A fact sheet for the public about measles is available from Queensland Health  
[http://access.health.qld.gov.au/hid/infectionsandparasites/viralinfections/measles\\_fs.asp](http://access.health.qld.gov.au/hid/infectionsandparasites/viralinfections/measles_fs.asp)

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