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Measles Preparedness: An Urgent Update for Health Care Providers

Updated information as of March 5, 2024. Additional resources and updates will be shared as they become available.

ACTION: Please forward this information to urgent care teams (e.g., Emergency Room staff, Urgent Care, etc.).

MEASLES PREPAREDNESS

- Additional cases are being reported in various regions of Canada, including multiple in Ontario (Peel, Toronto, Brant, York). Refer to the Weekly Monitoring Report for updated cases in Canada. This is an evolving situation.
- <u>ACTION:</u> Refer to the February 22 edition of the SWPH Health Care Provider Update for support.
- <u>**REMINDER**</u>: Measles is a reportable disease of public health significance. **Any suspected cases** should be reported immediately to public health, and cases should be placed under airborne precautions and tested.

PATIENT RESOURCES

- SWPH Passive Visitor Screening for Infectious Diseases (General)
- SWPH Measles Fact Sheet for Patients

CLINICAL RESOURCES (AS OF MARCH 5, 2024)

- Public Health Ontario Measles: Information Updates for Health Care Providers
- Public Health Ontario Measles Testing Guidance
- Ministry of Health Measles Case Definitions and Disease
- SWPH Reportable Disease Notification Form

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