



### Measles Guidance

As of July 2019, San Bernardino County has one confirmed case of measles in an unvaccinated eight month old with recent travel to Europe. As a preventive measure continue encouraging the administration of measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine to children and adults who are not up to date. This is crucial for their protection in the event of an exposure or outbreak situation.

Provide patients with measles education and post resources in the office and/ or in the waiting room. Additional guidance is provided for healthcare personnel below.

#### Waiting Room Posters:

- [Put Measles on the Spot: Immunize your Family](#)
- [Visiting Another Country? Think Measles \(before + after\)](#) | [Other Languages](#)

### Summer Precautions

With summer travel season here, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) remind us of [MMR vaccination recommendations for international travelers](#) and people living in or traveling domestically to areas with ongoing measles outbreaks. Patients and staff planning to travel are recommended to visit their health care provider or local [public health clinic](#) to ensure they are protected from vaccine preventable diseases based on their travel destination

- [Traveled Recently? \(fever + travel\)](#) | [Tagalog](#) | [Russian](#) | [Ukrainian](#) | [Spanish](#)
- [International Travel and Measles Infographic](#)

#### Guidance Information for Healthcare Providers:

- [Measles Alert Flyer](#) with symptoms and infection control
- [CDPH Investigation and Surveillance](#)
- [Should I test for Measles?](#)
- [Collecting Respiratory Specimens for Measles Testing](#)
- [Health Care Facility Infection Control Recommendations for Suspect Measles Patients](#)
- [Measles Notification Letter Template for Individuals Exposed in a Healthcare Setting](#)
- [How to Run a CAIR2 Patient MMR Report for Your Clinic](#)

and activities. To ensure travelers are protected from vaccine preventable diseases, immunization screenings should be completed at least six months prior to travel. For a complete list of travel immunization recommendations visit [CDC's Travelers' Health](#).



### New School Immunization Regulations

New California child care and school immunization regulations went into effect on [July 1st, 2019](#).

Students entering Transitional Kindergarten (TK)/ Kindergarten entry, 7th grade advancement or who are new admission or transfers will need proof of two (rather than one) doses of chickenpox vaccine before starting the 2019-2020 school year and all future school years.



Immunization Skills Institute is a free innovative course that will train medical assistants on current, effective and caring immunization techniques.

Registration available online:  
Session One: **FULL!**  
[Session Two: \(1:00PM-4:30PM\)](#)

For more information contact a Health Education Specialist at: 1-800-722-4794.

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## National Immunization Awareness Month

National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM) is observed annually in August. During this month communities across the country raise awareness about the important role vaccines play in preventing serious, sometimes deadly, diseases across the lifespan. As health professionals you strive to improve the health of communities. Participate in NIAM by encouraging immunizations to people of all ages.

### NIAM Recommendations For Providers:

- Encourage young children receive all recommended immunizations by age two.
- Help parents ensure, preteens and teens have received all recommended vaccines before going back to school.
- Share vaccine resources with parents.

- Remind college students to catch up on immunizations before moving into dormitories.
- Educate adults, including staff, about vaccines and boosters they may need.
- Educate pregnant women on how vaccines protect newborns from diseases like pertussis.

For more information on NIAM or to find immunization material to use for outreach and education visit [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#).



## Importance of Diseases Reporting:

The Communicable Disease Section relies on public health partners to report more than 85 communicable diseases as mandated by California law. Both health care providers and laboratories must report. Healthcare providers include the following: Physicians, Dentists, School Nurses, Physicians Assistants, Veterinarians, Medical Examiners, Coroners, Nurse Midwives, Surgeons, Infection Control Practitioners, Registered Nurses, and Podiatrists.

As a reminder, surveillance is effective, if disease reporting is done in a timely manner. Prompt reporting allows the health department time to interrupt disease transmission, locate and treat exposed

contacts, identify and contain outbreaks, and alert the community. Failure to comply with required disease reporting is considered “unprofessional conduct” and may result in disciplinary action by the Board of Medical Quality Assurance for violation of Business and Professions Code, Section 2234.

Refer to [Reportable Diseases and Conditions](#) or the [Confidential Morbidity Reports and Reporting Forms](#), to identify what must be reported to the Communicable Disease Section. The table below provides several options for report submissions.

For more information contact the Communicable Disease Section at (800)722-4794.

Cases can be reported via the following methods:	
Electronically via CalREDIE	<a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/CalREDIE-Provider-Portal.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/CalREDIE-Provider-Portal.aspx</a>
Phone	(Business Hours), 1-800-722-4794/ (After Hours), 909-356-3805
Fax	909-387-6377
Mail	San Bernardino County Department of Public Health, ATTN: Communicable Disease Section, 351 N. Mountain View Ave, Rm. 104, San Bernardino, CA, 92415

Click on the following link to access the [Confidential Morbidity Reports](#) (CMRs) page. Fax completed CMRs to: (909) 387-6377. For HIV CMRs call 1.800.722.4794 before faxing.

To report suspect or confirmed cases of TB, complete a [TB case/suspect form](#), and fax the form to the Communicable Disease Section at (909) 387-6377. After faxing, follow-up with a phone call to one of the TB nurses at: 1-800-722-4794.



### July 18

Immunization Skills Institute Training: San Bernardino

### July 28

World Hepatitis Day

### August

National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM)

### August

Inland Empire Immunization Coalition meeting: Banning

### September

Sexual Health Awareness Month

### September 18

National HIV/AIDs and Aging Awareness Day

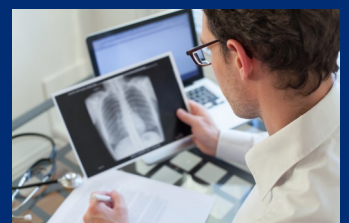


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