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Patient Evaluation, Diagnosis & Management?
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CDC Message to Clinicians Regarding Measles

From December 28, 2014 through January 21, 2015, more than 50 people from six states were reported to have measles. Most of these cases are part of a large, ongoing [outbreak linked to an amusement park in California](#). CDC urges healthcare professionals to consider measles when evaluating patients with febrile rash and ask about a patient's recent international travel history and travel to domestic venues frequented by international travelers.

What Should Clinicians Do?

- Ensure all patients are up to date on measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine.
- Consider measles in patients presenting with febrile rash illness and clinically compatible measles symptoms (cough, coryza, and conjunctivitis), and ask patients about recent travel internationally or to domestic venues frequented by international travelers, as well as a history of measles exposures in their communities.
- Promptly isolate patients with suspected measles to avoid disease transmission and immediately report the suspect measles case to the health department.
- Obtain specimens for testing from patients with suspected measles, including viral specimens for genotyping, which can help determine the source of the virus. Contact the local health department with questions about submitting specimens for testing.

For more information, including guidelines for patient evaluation, diagnosis and management, visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/measles/hcp/>

View an archived Immunization NetConference (CIINC) from 2014:
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/ciinc/2014-05-22.html>