



**Public Health**  
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### **FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY**

The Kansas Department of Health & Environment (KDHE), the Johnson County Department of Health & Environment, Miami County Department of Health, and Linn County Department of Health are investigating an outbreak of measles. A total of ten (10) cases have been identified – eight (8) in Johnson County residents, one (1) in Linn County and one (1) in Miami County. The majority of cases are associated with a daycare in Johnson County. **There are no cases (suspect or otherwise) in Riley County.**

Measles is a highly contagious disease caused by the Measles virus, and is a reportable disease in Kansas. Symptoms can appear 7-21 days after exposure, though normally within 14 days, and include: fever, cough, runny nose, sore throat, redness of the eyes, blotchy rash (beginning on the head, near the hairline, then spreads down the neck, trunk, arms and legs), and white spots inside the mouth (Koplik's spots). People are contagious 1-2 days *before* onset of symptoms and 4 days *after* the rash appears.

The best way to prevent measles is to get the measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine. The risk of contracting the disease is extremely low for persons who have had measles or have been vaccinated.

**There are no cases in Riley County, nor is there any suspicion of cases in Riley County.**

For more information about measles, please visit <http://www.cdc.gov/features/measles/index.html>

If you have symptoms, call your healthcare provider

Before visiting a healthcare provider, call ahead so that the provider can take the necessary measure to protect patients and staff

Report cases to the Riley County Health Department by calling the Disease Investigation Line: 785-317-0474

Measles is a reportable disease in the state of Kansas. All cases must be reported to KDHE via the Epi Hotline: 877-427-7317

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