



# Interim Pediatric Measles Outbreak Vaccination Recommendations Washington State Department of Health

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For children who live in or visit counties with active measles outbreaks\*

\*Currently only Snohomish County, refer to the [DOH Measles Cases](#) page for the latest outbreak information. This interim guidance may be updated in the future based on local epidemiology.

Age	Number of previous doses	Measles vaccine recommendation	Any change from <a href="#">routine recommendations</a> ?
0–5 months	0	Measles-containing vaccine is NOT recommended	No
6–11 months	0	Measles-containing vaccine is not routinely recommended unless otherwise <a href="#">indicated due to planned international travel or to an area outside of Washington State where it is recommended by public health because of an active measles outbreak<sup>1</sup></a>  NOTE: At this time, Washington State Department of Health is NOT recommending MMR prior to 12 months of age despite an active measles outbreak in Snohomish County	No
1–17 years	0	Should receive first dose of MMR <sup>1</sup> or MMRV <sup>2</sup> immediately	No
	1	Should receive second dose of MMR or MMRV as soon as eligible: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If first dose was MMR, receive second MMR or MMRV dose at least 28 days later</li> <li>• If first dose was MMRV, receive MMR at least 28 days later or MMRV at least 3 months later</li> </ul>	Yes, emphasize receipt of second dose as soon as eligible (e.g., earlier than 4 years of age)
	2	No additional doses needed	No

For children who do not live in or visit regions with an active measles outbreak, a second dose of measles containing vaccine may be considered before 4–6 years of age following the intervals described in the table above.

Adults are advised to follow the Adult Vaccine Schedule for MMR. [Washington State Department of Health routine measles vaccine recommendations, including for adults can be found here.](#)

<sup>1</sup> American Academy of Pediatrics guidance for risk-based measles vaccine recommendations

<sup>2</sup> MMR: Measles, mumps, and rubella

<sup>3</sup> MMRV: Measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella

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