

NEW MEXICO HEALTH ALERT NETWORK (HAN) ADVISORY Measles Virus Detected in Wastewater in Deming, NM

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Background

A wastewater sample collected on June 12 from the City of Deming in Luna County detected wild-type measles virus. This comes at a time when no active measles infections have been reported in the county and means that one or more cases of measles have not been identified and reported. This HAN is providing notice to the medical community to look for measles and ensure patients are vaccinated in the county.

Vaccination with two doses of the measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine remains the best protection against measles. NMDOH measles updates, including the times and locations of measles vaccine clinics, and press releases regarding measles exposures to large public settings, can be found on our website [NMDOH 2025 Measles Outbreak](#).

Healthcare providers should remain vigilant for febrile rash in unvaccinated or under-vaccinated patients of any age, especially those with recent travel to an outbreak area or exposure to known cases. It is critically important for patients with suspected measles to be promptly recognized, isolated, **reported to 1-833-796-8773**, and tested to prevent further spread.

Information on wastewater surveillance for measles and management of suspect cases can be found in the previous HAN for [Measles Virus Detected in Roswell, NM](#). [New Mexico Health Alert Network](#)

Additional Resources:

For more information about measles, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at <https://www.cdc.gov/measles/index.html> or call the NMDOH Center for Health Protection at **1-833-SWNURSE** (1-833-796-8773).

Vaccine communication resources can be found here:
<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/resources/index.html>.

New Mexico Health Alert Network: To register for the NM Health Alert Network, please visit the following site <https://nm.readyop.com/fs/4cjZ/10b2>. Please fill out the registration form completely and click Submit at the bottom of the page, to begin receiving Important health alerts, advisories, and updates.

Please Note that our system also utilizes text messaging to notify members of important health information. Due to FCC Regulation changes that are designed to decrease the amount of unwanted spam text messages sent each year to citizens, please save, this phone number **(855) 596-1810** as the **“New Mexico Health Alert Network”** default phone number for your account used for text messages on the mobile device(s) you register with us.