

Measles Vaccination Guidance

Review the recommendations for measles vaccination for adults and children. If you are currently pregnant or living with an immune compromising condition, then the measles vaccine is not recommended. Some guidance may change as the situation evolves. Consult your healthcare provider if you have additional questions or concerns.

Recommendations for adults and children 4 years and older	
In my lifetime I have had....	Measles Vaccine Recommendations
2 doses of the measles vaccines since 1968	No additional vaccination is needed currently
1-2 doses of the measles vaccine between 1963-1968	If you received any of your MMR doses between 1963-1968 then you may benefit from another MMR vaccine
1 dose of the measles vaccines	It is reasonable to obtain a 2 nd dose if you have no medical contraindications
0 doses of the measles vaccines	Obtain at least one dose of the measles (MMR) vaccine
I am unsure if I have ever had a measles vaccine dose in my lifetime	You can likely receive one dose of the MMR vaccine if you have no medical contraindications
I have had a confirmed prior measles infection or was born before 1957 and do not work in a healthcare setting	No additional vaccination is currently needed

Recommendations for children younger than 4 years old	
My child has had....	Measles Vaccine Recommendations
2 prior measles vaccines doses	No additional vaccination is currently needed
1 prior measles vaccine dose AND is 12 months – 4 years old	You may choose to wait until ages 4-6 years old for the 2 nd dose of MMR vaccine. In the event of a local outbreak of measles it is OK to obtain a 2 nd dose of MMR before 4 years old. The 4-6-year-old dose would not be needed. We recommend you schedule a visit with a healthcare provider to discuss this option.
0 prior measles vaccines AND is under 12 months	The MMR vaccine is generally recommended at ages 12-15 months. In the event of a local outbreak of measles it is OK to obtain a 1 st dose of MMR between ages 6 – 11 months. Your child will still need the 2 dose vaccine series at 12-15 months and 4-6 years old. We recommend you schedule a visit with a healthcare provider to discuss this option.
0 or 1 prior measles vaccine AND is 4 years and older	Get a catch-up measles (MMR) vaccine