

URGENT MESSAGE FROM LAKEWOOD COMMUNITY PHYSICIANS

Re: Measles outbreak

November 9th, 2018

We, the undersigned physicians, collectively advise the following recommendations:

Measles is an exceptionally contagious disease that can cause serious illness, especially in unvaccinated people.

If you are delayed or have not received the MMR vaccine, call your primary care physician's office to receive the MMR vaccine immediately.

Anyone who is unvaccinated can create a serious health risk to people that are immunosuppressed or not yet vaccinated. Therefore, we collectively advise that those individuals should not go to school or playgroups until further notice.

Children 6 to 11 months of age are recommended to receive Dose #1 now, Dose #2 at 12 months of age at least 28 days after the first dose and Dose #3 at least 28 days after the second dose – based on current recommendations there will be no dose needed at 4 years of age

Children 12 months of age and older who have not received any dose of MMR are recommended to receive dose #1 and receive Dose #2 at least 28 days after the first dose - based on current recommendations there will be no dose needed at 4 years of age.

Children 12 months to 48 months who have had one dose of the MMR are recommended to receive dose #2 immediately if it is at least 28 days after the first dose.

May the **רופא כל בשר** continue to protect us all,

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