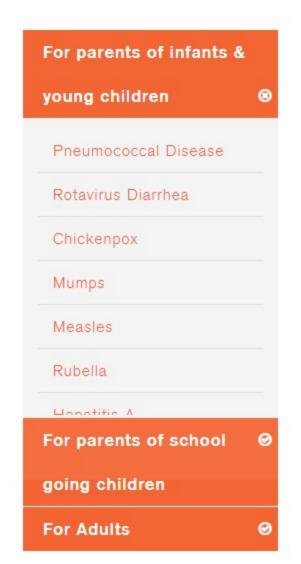


Measles





MORE ABOUT MEASLES AND ITS PREVENTION



Cause

Measles is a highly contagious, viral disease that affects the respiratory tract and then spreads throughout the body.



Impact

The global estimates suggest that close to 0.14 million deaths were attributed to measles, 50% of which are accounted in India alone.



Prevention

Vaccination helps to protect against Measles along with other means like handwashing, proper disposal of tissues and avoiding contact with



Age of vaccination

9 months onwards. Consult your doctor.

MEASLES

What is Measles?



• Measles: Measles is a highly contagious, viral disease that affects the respiratory tract and then spreads throughout the body.

How is Measles transmitted?

Measles is a highly contagious virus that lives in the nose and throat mucus of an infected person. It can spread to others through coughing, sneezing and sharing items with infected person. Measles is so contagious that if one person has it, 90% of the people close to that person who are not immune will also become infected.

What are symptoms and complications of Measles?



Measles causes fever, rash, cough, runny nose and red, watery eyes. Complications can include ear infection, severe diarrhea, pneumonia, brain damage and death.

How can I protect my child against Measles?



The spread of these diseases can be prevented by the following:

- Vaccination
- Limiting/avoiding contact with infected persons
- Hand washing
- Proper disposal of tissues

What do I need to know about vaccination against measles?



- Measles vaccine can be taken at any age above 9 months.
- Consult your doctor for more information on vaccination against measles.

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