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Notice to all Parents/Caregivers (31 July 2009)

From: CANTERBURY DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

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MEASLES OUTBREAK IN CANTERBURY

The Public Health authorities are recommending that your child's vaccination status be checked with your GP. This is to ensure your child's protection from the current Measles outbreak.

Signs symptoms of Measles:

In the early stages resemble those of a cold, seasonal influenza or swine flu. The typical measles rash often appears after up to 4 days of flu-like illness and a child is considered infectious from approximately one day prior to symptom onset until 4 days after onset of rash. For this reason the advice to keep children away from school or preschool when unwell until a probable diagnosis is clear, remains pertinent.

Advice:

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the communicable diseases team at Community and Public Health on 364 1777.

H1N1 – Swine Flu

Status is unchanged. Please, if your child is unwell please keep them at home. Please adhere to the hygiene message that is constantly being given out by the Public Health authorities. Please visit our website for this information if you need to.

Thank you.

