EVALUATING PATIENTS FOR POSSIBLE MEASLES

The decision to test should be based upon clinical symptoms and risk factors represented below.

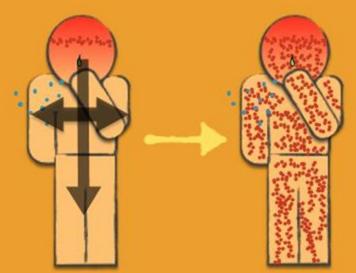
INITIAL SYMPTOMS

- 7-21 DAYS POST EXPOSURE
- HIGH FEVER (MAY SPIKE TO > 104° F)
- COUGH
- CONJUNCTIVITIS
- CORYZA
- KOPLIK SPOTS

RASH

3-5 DAYS AFTER FEVER ONSET

A RED, BLOTCHY RASH BEGINS ON THE FACE AT THE HAIRLINE AND PROGRESSES DOWNWARD AND OUTWARD TOWARDS THE HANDS AND FEET.



| TRAVEL | 21 DAYS BEFORE ONSET | MMR VACCINATION STATUS |
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| HAS THE PATIENT TRAVELED ANYWHERE IN THE LAST 21 DAYS WHERE MEASLES CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED OR HAD CONTACT WITH A CONFIRMED CASE? | | 1 DOSE IS 93% - 95% EFFECTIVE 2 DOSES ARE 97% - 99% EFFECTIVE 5% - 15% OF PEOPLE WILL DEVELOP A FEVER AND/OR TRANSIENT RASH 7 - 12 DAYS AFTER VACCINATION (THESE PEOPLE ARE NOT CONSIDERED INFECTIOUS). |

SUSPECT MEASLES IN YOUR OFFICE

IMMEDIATELY CALL IDPH

PLEASE **IMMEDIATELY** CALL IDPH WHILE THE PATIENT IS IN THE OFFICE. **BUSINESS HOURS: 1-800-362-2736** AFTER HOURS: 515-323-4360

- IDPH will arrange specimen transport from your facility to the state public health lab.
- The patient should be instructed to remain at home until test results are complete (24-48 hours).
- Evaluate vaccination status of office staff, those with the patient, and household contacts and vaccinate as appropriate.
- Areas where the suspect measles case visited (such as waiting room and exam room) should be closed for 2 hours to prevent measles exposure to other patients, visitors, and staff.

