

Mendocino County Health & Human Services Agency

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Public Health Warns of Possible Measles Exposure in Mendocino County

One individual visited restaurants and tourist sites in the County of Mendocino while possibly contagious with measles.

COUNTY OF MENDOCINO, CA – Mendocino County HHSA, Public Health confirms one case of measles in a traveler visiting the county. Individuals who are not immune to measles AND who visited the sites below at the dates and times indicated may be at risk of developing measles due to exposure.

Most people have received two doses of the measles vaccine ("MMR vaccine") as children, and are protected. However, parents of unvaccinated children, unvaccinated adults, and those with weakened immune systems are advised to review the list of sites and times individuals may have been exposed below:

Dates, Times, and Places where individuals may have been exposed:

- Beachcomber Motel,1111 N. Main St. Fort Bragg CA 95437, all day Friday May 24th through Sunday May 26th at 11 a.m.
- Django's Rough Bar, 32096 N Harbor Dr. Fort Bragg CA 95437, on Friday May 24th from 12 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Sea Pal Cove Restaurant, 32390 N. Harbor Dr. Fort Bragg CA 95437, on Saturday May 25th from 12 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Skunk Train, 100 W. Laurel St. Fort Bragg CA 95437, on Saturday May 25th from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- North Coast Brewing Co. 444 N. Main St. Fort Bragg CA 95437, on Saturday May 25th from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- David's Deli, 163 Boatyard Dr. Fort Bragg CA 95437, on Sunday May 26th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

People at high risk for severe illness and complications from measles include: Infants and children aged less than 5 years, adults aged greater than 20 years, pregnant women, and people with compromised immune systems such as leukemia and HIV infection.

People presented at these sites who are not immune to measles may be at risk of developing measles and should watch for symptoms of the illness. Common symptoms of measles include fever, cough, runny nose, red eyes, and a rash, which can appear 7 to 21 days after the exposure. There is no risk to anyone going to those businesses except for up to one hour after the contagious person was in the business.

If you develop these symptoms, call your doctor right away. It is very important to **call** ahead to any medical facility before going there and to tell them that you may have been exposed to measles so that the facility can take measures to protect other patients and visitors.

Fort Bragg Clinic contacts are:

- Mendocino Coast Clinics at 707-964-1251
- North Coast Family Health Center at 707-961-4631
- Fort Bragg Rural Health Center at 707-964-0259

HHSA, Public Health requests the assistance of the news media in publicizing this list of sites at which we have been unable to identify all of the people present who may have been exposed.

The person with measles is an adult who was exposed to measles in Butte County. The person's measles vaccination status is unverified. The individual was hospitalized because of their illness. Further information about the individual will not be released for reasons of medical privacy.

For questions, please contact Mendocino County HHSA, Public Health at: (707) 472-2717