

MMR vaccination priority groups during the 2019 measles outbreaks (25 October 2019)



	All of New Zealand unless an exception is advised	Northland	Auckland region	Southern DHB
6–11 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » If they are travelling overseas to a country with a measles outbreak or Auckland. » On parental request if there are concerns about a high-risk of exposure to measles and their GP advises administration of MMR. <p>Except the Auckland region.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Actively recall infants aged 6–11 months for MMR0. 	
12 months to under 5 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Ensure all children receive their Schedule vaccines on time at 15 months and 4 years of age. » Actively recall children aged under 5 years who need catch-up vaccination. <p>Except the Auckland region.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Ensure all children receive their Schedule vaccines on time at 12 months and 4 years of age. » Actively recall children aged under 5 years who need catch-up vaccination. 	
5 years to under 15 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Opportunistically offer one catch-up dose of MMR for children aged 5 years to under 15 years who do not have one documented MMR vaccination. <p>Except Southern DHB.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Actively recall children aged 5 years to under 18 years who do not have one documented MMR vaccination.
15–29 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Not a current priority group. <p>Except Northland and the Auckland region.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Opportunistically offer one catch-up dose of MMR for children aged 15–29 years who do not have one documented MMR vaccination. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Opportunistically offer one catch-up dose of MMR for children aged 15–29 years who do not have one documented MMR vaccination, with particular focus on the priority groups below.* 	
30–50 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Not a current priority group. <p>Exceptions may apply in Northland or the Auckland region.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Based on clinical judgement, one catch-up dose of MMR can be administered to people aged 30–50 years who do not have one documented MMR vaccination, e.g. they live with someone who is unable to be immunised, are front line healthcare staff, teacher or early childhood educator. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Based on clinical judgement, one catch-up dose of MMR can be administered to people aged 30–49 years who do not have one documented MMR vaccination, e.g. they work in a higher risk environment such as a prison, or they are in one of the priority groups below.* 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Vaccinate susceptible close contacts of a confirmed case within 72 hours of first exposure to measles when possible. » Clinicians are still able to vaccinate outside of the priority groups. This decision would depend on whether the practice has sufficient vaccine without impacting on the stock needed for their priority vaccinations. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Auckland region 15–50 years priority groups » Pacific and Māori people. » Students at school and tertiary institutions. » Postpartum women and family members of babies aged 0–6 months. » Teachers and early childhood educators. 	