Public Health Notification of Possible Measles Exposures

One person spent time in San Francisco locations while contagious

from April 1-3

Low risk to the public

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SAN FRANCISCO (April 9, 2019) -- During the first week of April, an adult visited several locations in San Francisco while contagious with measles. There is no outbreak, and the risk to the general public is very low. However, people without immunity could potentially develop measles if they were exposed at one of the locations.

San Francisco benefits from high rates of vaccination against measles. Most people have received measles vaccine (“MMR”) as children and are immune. However, unvaccinated children, unvaccinated adults born in 1957 or later, and those with severely weakened immune systems are advised to review the list of locations below.

If you were present at any of the specific sites at the times listed and are not immune to measles, please watch for symptoms of illness, which can develop between 7 and 21 days after the date of exposure. Common symptoms of measles include fever, cough, runny nose, and red eyes, followed by a red rash that starts on the head or face.

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

Date, Time, Place where individuals may have been exposed
Note that the risk was present only during the times and dates listed, and there is no ongoing risk to the public at any of these places.

Monday April 1
6:56 am – 8:13 am  | Caltrain train 319 northbound. First car of train (car 116).
8:45 am – 9:15 am  | Caltrain train 232 southbound. Last car of train (car 116).
8:15 - 9:45 am  | SF Muni Bus #47
8:00 – 10:00 am  | Hayes Valley Bakeworks at 525 Golden Gate Avenue
8:30 am – 7:00 pm  | Federal Building at 450 Golden Gate Ave
Tuesday April 2
8:00 am - 7:30 pm | Federal Building at 450 Golden Gate Ave
8:00 am – 9:30 am | Johnny Doughnuts at 392 Fulton St
8:00 – 10:00 am | Hayes Valley Bakeworks at 525 Golden Gate Avenue
6:30 – 8:00 pm | Double Decker Restaurant at 465 Grove St

Wednesday April 3
8:00 – 10:00 am | Hayes Valley Bakeworks at 525 Golden Gate Avenue
8:30 am - 3:30 pm | Federal Building at 450 Golden Gate Ave
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm | Caltrain station, 700 4th Street
3:34 pm – 5:10 pm | Caltrain train 258 southbound. Second car from the back (car 3861).
5:32 pm – 6:15 pm | Caltrain train 279 northbound. Second car from the front (car 3861).

This single case does not have any known link to any other California cases. It is not known how the person, who is a Santa Clara County resident, was infected with measles. San Francisco and Santa Clara public health departments are working together to ensure the safety of the person with measles and residents and visitors of both counties. The individual was not hospitalized and is recovering at home. Further information will not be released to protect medical privacy.

“Measles can be prevented with two doses of the MMR vaccine. Fortunately, most people in San Francisco have been vaccinated, but measles is still circulating in the world. It is highly infectious and can cause serious complications especially in infants, pregnant women and those with weakened immune systems,” said Dr. Tomas Aragon, Health Officer for the City and County of San Francisco. “In light of the recent measles cases in California and elsewhere, now is an excellent time for everyone, particularly those planning international travel, to make sure they are up-to-date with their vaccinations.”

MMR vaccination is available through doctor’s offices, clinics and pharmacies, and is covered by health insurance and Medi-Cal. For those without insurance or Medi-Cal, MMR vaccine is available at low cost or no cost through the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

Find vaccines here: https://www.sfcdcp.org/immunizations/where-to-get-immunized/

For more information about measles, visit https://www.sfcdcp.org/infectious-diseases-a-to-z/measles/

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