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Due to the recent measles outbreak, South Lake Pediatrics' team has implemented the following precautions: We will be screening all patients when scheduling appointments and when patients arrive at our clinics.

If they have positive answers to our screening questions, patients will be asked to enter the clinic using an alternative entrance, given a mask to wear and immediately brought to a designated exam room. We are following the Minnesota Department of Health recommendations to help families remain healthy during this time.

The Minnesota Department of Health recommendations include that all patients should have received their 1<sup>st</sup> dose of MMR and those living in Hennepin, Ramsey and Crow Wing counties should get their second dose now. For more information, we have provided a link to the MDH measles website: <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/diseases/measles/>

### **Vaccination recommendations**

- All Minnesota children 12 months and older who have not received a measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine should get it now.
- Adults who have never received the MMR vaccine and have never had measles should get the vaccine now.
- These children should get their second dose of MMR vaccine now:
  - Somali Minnesotan children statewide
  - Hennepin, Ramsey and Crow Wing County children
- Vaccine recommendations may expand if the measles outbreak spreads to more communities.

**Please call our appointment line at 952-401-8300  
to schedule your child's MMR vaccine.**