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## **Possible measles exposure in 4 counties** **Call family physician if you think you may have been exposed**

*(BERKS, BUCKS, DELAWARE AND LEHIGH COUNTIES, PA.)* The Pennsylvania Department of Health is reporting a **possible measles exposure** in **Berks, Bucks, Delaware** and **Lehigh** counties, stemming from a previously reported July 11 exposure incident at the Rite Aid on 3145 Main St., Morgantown, Berks County. **The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians** would like to remind anyone who believes they or their children may have been exposed to **call their family physician immediately**.

Symptoms of measles include a fever, dry cough, runny nose, inflamed eyes, tiny white spots with bluish-white centers on the inside of the cheek, and a skin rash of large, flat blotches. While most people in America are immunized, those who have not received the vaccine, including infants too young to have received the vaccine, are at risk for contracting measles. Those with Vitamin A deficiencies are also more likely to contract measles and have more severe symptoms.

The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians and its Foundation supports its members (including nearly 80 percent of Pennsylvania primary care doctors) through advocacy and education to ensure a patient-centered medical home for every Pennsylvanian. The Academy and its Foundation are the leading influential resource among family physicians and physicians in training in Pennsylvania; the primary voice on health care issues with state legislative and administrative branches of government, media and professional health organizations; and the leader on health care issues in the community.

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