

Think Measles

It isn't just a little rash

Measles can be dangerous, especially for babies and young children.

Measles symptoms typically include:

- › High fever which may reach around 40 degrees Celsius
- › Cough and runny nose
- › Sore/red eyes
- › Loss of appetite
- › Tiredness, irritability and a general lack of energy
- › Rash – usually appears on head and neck first and spread to rest of the body



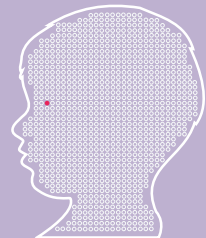
Measles Can Be Serious



About 1 out of 5 people who get measles will be hospitalised.



As many as 1 in 20 people with measles will suffer a serious side effect such as pneumonia.



About 1 out of 1,000 people with measles will die, even with the best care.

Keep up to date with the free MMR vaccine.

- › **Vaccine 1:** 12 months at GP
- › **Vaccine 2:** Junior infants (at school) or from your GP (Sligo, Leitrim and Donegal)

If your child missed their MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) vaccine contact your GP and visit [hse.ie/measles](https://www.hse.ie/measles)

