







# **Think** Measles It isn't just a little rash

Measles can be dangerous, especially for babies and young children, pregnant women and people with a weak immune system.

#### Measles is very contagious

Measles spreads through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It can spread very quickly and easily in busy or crowded places.

#### 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
- > Rash usually appears on head and neck first and spread to rest of the body



## You have the power to protect yourself and your family.

Get safe and long-lasting protection against measles by making sure that you and your family have had the two recommended doses of measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine.

It's never too late to catch up - talk to your doctor or HSE healthcare worker about getting your free catch-up MMR vaccine.

Further information about measles and MMR vaccination is available at hse.ie/measles



### Find your nearest clinic here











