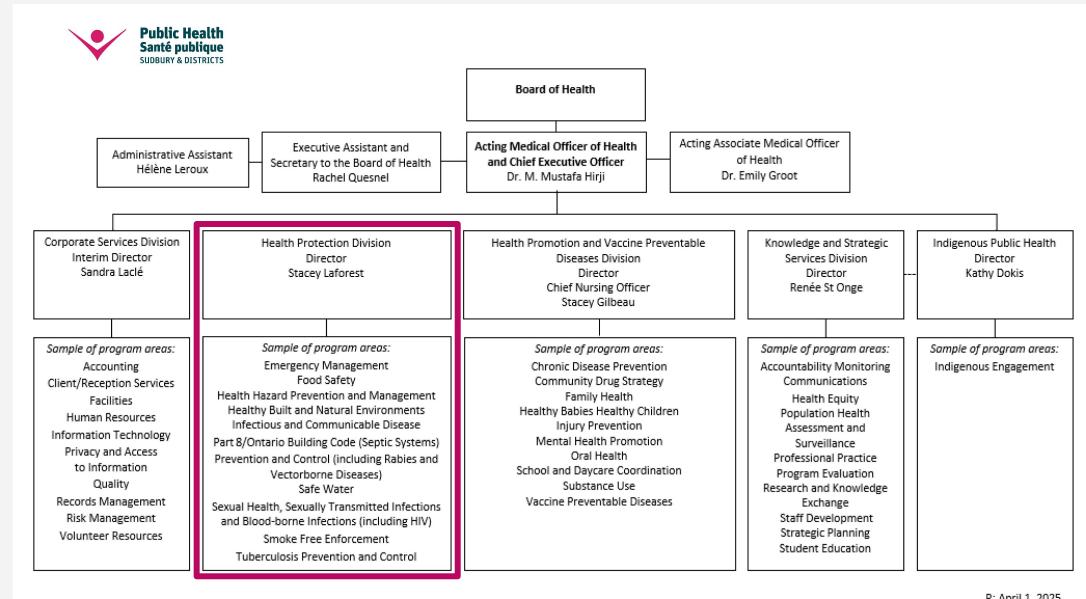
# Measles Preparedness and Outbreak Response

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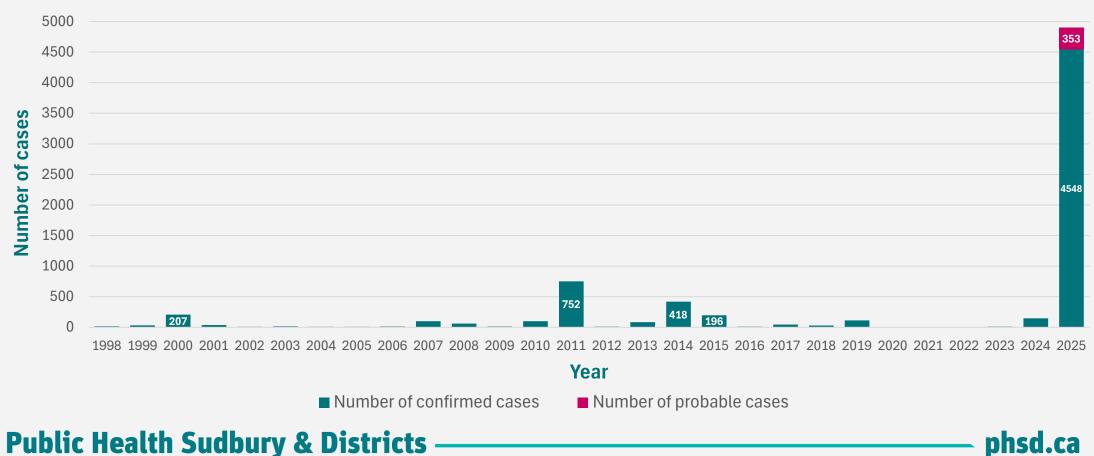
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#### Measles



#### **Current measles situation**

Number of measles cases reported in Canada by year of rash onset from measles elimination (1998) to September 6, 2025





### Measles preparedness



#### Measles response plan



The mandate is to respond to reports of diseases of public health significance.



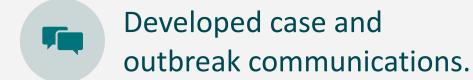
The response plan was developed in 2023.



The level of response to a measles threat will vary depending on the scale of the threat.

#### **Proactive planning: Internal**





Planned the call line and call centre.



Developed an online measles survey.



Developed training for staff.

#### **Proactive planning: External**









Letter sent to schools, summer camps, and the bus consortium. Notification to hospitals in the service area.

Development of emergency preventive treatment community pathway.

Planning for distribution of intramuscular immunoglobulin (IMIg)



#### Measles outbreak

#### First measles case reported

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## Measles infection reported by Public Health Sudbury & Districts

Issued: Tuesday, July 22, 2025

Public Health Sudbury & Districts is reporting the first measles infection in the Sudbury and Manitoulin districts since 2014. The affected individual is an infant who was too young to have been vaccinated.

Public Health has directly notified the individuals in its service area who are known to have been exposed to <u>measles</u> and continues to work with the Ministry of Health and other local public health agencies to minimize the spread of infection. However, measles is spreading across North America at levels not seen in three decades. Given this heightened risk, it is important that everyone protect themselves by ensuring they have had 2 doses of vaccine.

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#### Operationalizing the measles response plan

Measles outbreak management table established

Notification of partners

Mobilization
of emergency
preventive treatment
community pathway

Media response

Measles assessment tool launched

Call line established and staff trained

Additional support staff redeployed to support call line and contact management

Initiated case and contact management

#### Local measles outbreak

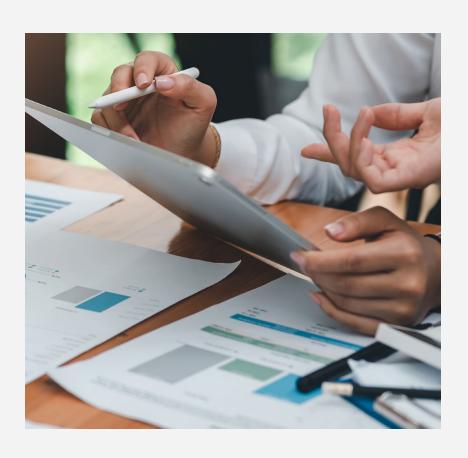


A cluster of cases were identified through case and contact management and linked to the interjurisdictional outbreak.



A second news release was issued.

#### **Current situation and next steps**



- Outbreak is under final evaluation.
- Downward trend in measles infections in Ontario.

#### **Next steps:**

- Evaluate Public Health's response:
  - What worked and what didn't?
  - What could be streamlined or improved?
  - What are the lessons learned?



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