## DO YOU THINK YOUR CHILD HAS MEASLES?

## What to do if you think your child has measles

Measles usually starts with a fever, cough, runny nose, and red eyes that leads to a rash. If someone in your family has measles symptoms:

Keep them away from family members that are not sick. **Everyone in the house should stay home** to not get your neighbors or people outside of your home sick. **Call a doctor or hospital right away** to let them know someone in your home is sick with measles. They will give you instructions.



## When to go to the emergency room

If the person who is sick gets rapidly worse or has any of symptoms below take them to the emergency department of a hospital immediately.

## DO NOT WAIT.



Trouble breathing (or breathing faster than normal)



Fever or headache will not stop



Pain when breathing or coughing



Confusion, decreased alertness, or severe weakness



**Dehydration** (dry nose and mouth, urinating less, crying without making tears)



Blue color around the mouth, low energy, or difficulty feeding (for young children)

Have someone call before you arrive. Let the hospital know a person with measles is coming.

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