



South Plains Public Health District

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Second Confirmed Case of Measles in Gaines County

Gaines County, Texas – South Plains Public Health District is announcing two confirmed cases of measles in residents of Gaines County. Both cases are in unvaccinated school age children who were hospitalized in Lubbock and have since been discharged. DSHS is supporting the South Plains Public Health District and Lubbock Public Health in the disease investigation. These newly identified cases are in addition to two confirmed measles cases reported in unvaccinated residents of Harris County earlier this month. The Harris County cases were the first confirmed measles cases in Texas since 2023.

People who think they have measles or may have been exposed to measles should isolate themselves and call their health care provider before arriving to be tested. It is important to let the provider know that the patient may have measles and to get instructions on how to come to the office for diagnosis without exposing other people to the virus.

Vaccine Access in the South Plains Area

Insured Individuals: Contact your healthcare provider or local pharmacy to check vaccine availability.

Uninsured or Underinsured Individuals: Free or low-cost vaccines are available through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) or Adult Safety Net (ASN) programs.

For more information about Measles, contact your healthcare provider or contact the

South Plains Public Health District in...

Gaines (Seminole) 432-955-1021

Terry (Brownfield) 806-637-2164

Dawson (Lamesa) 806-872-5863

Yoakum (Denver City) 806-592-2706

Lubbock Public Health at 806-775-2933 (Lubbock County)

Department of State Health Services Region 1 Lubbock Office at 806 -783-6400

For emergency care in Gaines County, please contact the Seminole Hospital at 432-758-4801