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## **Age 4 is recommended for second measles dose**

The Ministry of Health has published a "[Measles Questions and Answers for Public Health Units](#)" document to accompany the Measles Appendix 1 of the Infectious Diseases Protocol of the Public Health Standards.

Refer to Section C, Question 16:

The optimal timing for the 4-to-6-year MMRV dose is **at 4 years of age**. This is especially important if a child is attending day care or school.

**ACTION: Prioritize MMRV immunizations for all children in your roster as soon as they are 4 years of age. Do not delay this second dose.** Ask families to report this vaccination to SWPH by visiting [www.swpublichealth.ca/vaccineswork](http://www.swpublichealth.ca/vaccineswork).

### **Report All Suspect & Confirmed Cases of Measles**

- Call 1-800-922-0096 ext. 1232 or 3500
- Fax a report to 519-631-1682. For a copy of the report form: [click here](#).

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