Measles Bulletin

As you may have heard, the BC Government has announced an initiative to catch up all school-age children (K-12) with measles vaccines. This is an opportunity for unimmunized and under-immunized children to catch-up on their measles vaccinations. At this time, there is no measles outbreak within our Northern Health region; however, Health Authorities are working with the province, health care partners and school districts to increase immunity amongst B.C.'s school-age children.

As a licensed childcare provider under the Child Care Licensing Regulation (CCLR), your responsibilities in regards to staffing and children in care are as follows:

Section 19 of the CCLR requires that a licensee must not employ a person as a staff or volunteer, in a community care facility until the manager has first obtained evidence that the person has complied with the Province's immunization and tuberculosis control programs.

Section 21 of the CCLR requires that a licensee must not continue to employ a person in a community care facility unless the licensee has evidence that the person continues to comply with the Province's immunization and tuberculosis control programs.

Section 57 of the CCLR requires that a licensee keeps current records for each child showing the child's immunization status.

Most people in Canada are protected against measles infection through immunizations. For more information on measles and measles containing vaccine, please visit:

Health Link BC - Measles

https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/health-feature/measles

If you have questions regarding your responsibilities as a child care provider, please contact your local Licensing Office.

