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Dear parent/patient,

You many already have received (or will shortly receive) the below message from Public Health England:

Measles cases are increasing in England. Our records show that you may not be up to date with your measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccinations. Please contact your GP surgery to confirm your records and book an appointment. You need two doses for the best protection against measles, mumps and rubella. These serious illnesses spread easily between unvaccinated people, so it's important you catch up on any missed doses. For more information, go to www.nhs.uk/mmr. Go to www.england.nhs.uk/mmr-invites for easy read and other languages and formats'

On the news recently they have been report the recent outbreaks in England and Wales. Measles is a highly infectious virus that can cause serious illness, such as inflammation of the brain or in the worst cases, death. The MMR vaccine is highly effective at protecting you from infections (about 99% after two doses) and is free.

I've already had the vaccine, why am I getting this message?

Messages from public health will be linked to your current GP record. Sometimes when you move practice, not all records will be sent across when you register. If you would like us to update your records please drop in a copy of your records and we will make sure your records are updated.

Why should I get the vaccine? Is it safe?

BELOW ARE SOME HELPFUL VIDEO LINKS ALL ABOUT THE VACCINE

[HTTP://TINYURL.COM/VANVACCINES](http://tinyurl.com/vanvaccines)

[HTTP://TINYURL.COM/VANMMR](http://tinyurl.com/vanmmr)

[HTTP://TINYURL.COM/VANWHYDO](http://tinyurl.com/vanwhydo)

I want to get the vaccine, how do I book?

When you received the text message with this letter attached, there was a link at the bottom of the message. By clicking on the link, you can book an appointment directly at a time that suits you.

I'm not sure, I want more information?

You can find out more about the vaccine or catch up campaign by clicking on the below links or you can contact the practice for an appointment to speak to a doctor:

[MMR \(measles, mumps and rubella\) vaccine - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)
[NHS England » NHS launches catch up campaign for missed MMR vaccines](#)