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Hay River Health and Social Services and Public Health wishes to inform citizens about a measles outbreak in Vancouver British Columbia that has the potential of affecting residents of the Northwest Territories.

If you or anyone you know were at the following Vancouver, British Columbia locations on the following dates, you may have been exposed to a case of measles.

- Saturday, Sept. 8 - Skookum Festival, Stanley Park, 5 p.m. – 1 a.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 8 - Aquabus from Olympic Village to Hornby Street, approximate trip start was 3 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 8 – Canada Line SkyTrain from Vancouver City Centre to Broadway-City Hall Station, 11 p.m. – 1 a.m.
- Sunday, Sept. 9 - Outdoor Community Block Party at 1188 Quebec Street, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
- Sunday, Sept. 9 - Main Street bus from Terminal Station to Broadway, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 11 – Noodlebox Mount Pleasant (2511 Main Street) – Noon – 6 p.m.

Most people in the Northwest Territories are protected from measles through vaccination or through previous illness.

Measles is a highly infectious illness. The virus from an infected person remains in the air for a few hours after the person has left.

Symptoms of measles include: fever; cough; runny nose; red eyes; and a rash a few days later that starts on the face and spreads to the chest.

Complications of measles includes: Inflammation of the brain; seizures; deafness; brain damage and death. Measles infection also leaves people vulnerable to pneumonia and other bacterial infections due to its impact on the immune system for up to a year after the initial measles infection.

**If you think you may have been exposed to measles as per the above information, please call Hay River Public Health at 867-874-7201 to discuss.**