

URGENT INFORMATION SENT ON BEHALF OF SEFTON COUNCIL PUBLIC HEALTH

Dear colleagues

Regarding communications from education and childcare settings to parents around suspected measles cases, please can I clarify the correct advice how to seek medical attention.

If a child or staff member has a rash illness which could be measles, **they must not attend school**. The correct pathway should be to **contact their GP as soon as possible via telephone call or alternatively call 111.**

It is critically important to phone ahead, and not turn up at a GP practice, A&E or walk in centre.

This will enable the healthcare setting to make necessary arrangements to receive the patient so that the patient can wait separately from others.

It is critical that the advice and process is followed to prevent spread of infection within the community.

Please can this information be shared accordingly to ensure parents are receiving the right advice and guidance from the education settings.

Thank you for your continued support and any questions please get in touch.

Kind regards

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