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People living in collective accommodation centres must be vaccinated against measles



# **Measles Protection Law**

The Measles Protection Law came into force in Germany on 1 March 2020. Under this law, people who have applied for asylum and are currently living in **collective accommodation centres**, as well as children and students in kindergartens and schools, **must be vaccinated against measles**.

## What is measles?

Measles is a disease which can be caught by anyone who has not been vaccinated and who has never had measles before.

Measles is a very contagious infectious disease which can even result in death.

## **Measles vaccination**

Everyone living in accommodation provided by us who was born after 1970 must be **vaccinated 2 times**..

The second vaccination is usually given 4 weeks after the first one.

Children must also be vaccinated. The first vaccination is given from the age of 11 months. The second vaccination should be given by the time a child reaches the age of 2 at the latest.

#### **Procedure**

Your social worker will contact you about the measles vaccination. We will need to see your certificate of vaccination (yellow card). We will then check whether you need a new vaccination. If you have not had all the vaccinations you need, an appointment for a measles vaccination will be made with a doctor. Measles vaccinations are free.