



## *Week In Review*

**December 15, 2025**

From the ACIP meeting and subsequent response, increases in influenza A(H3N2) subclade K cases in the Northern Hemisphere, more measles cases, and an mpox clade 1b human-to-human transmission out of the endemic region, there is a lot of news this week!

Please note that there will be no Week in Review next week, due to the winter holidays. Stay warm, Delaware!

***Register Now!***

# 2025 IMMUNIZATION SUMMIT

**THURS. DEC 18, 2025**

 Delaware Tech - Terry Campus  
100 Campus Drive, Dover  11:30 - 4:30 pm

Join us in person (lunch will be served!) or online!

Register now: <https://immunizedelaware.org/2025-immunization-summit/>

## *Federal Updates*

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ACIP Meeting ([ACIP](#)):

- Next ACIP meeting: February 25-26, 2026

COCA Call ([COCA](#)). COCA Calls are held from 2:00 - 3:00 pm ET.

- None listed.

Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee ([VRBPAC](#))

- None listed

MMWR Weekly ([No 40](#))

- Effectiveness of 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccines in children in the United

States - VISION, Aug 29, 2024 - Sept 2, 2025

- Rabies cluster among steers on a dairy farm - Minnesota, 2024

Food & Drug Administration ([Announcements](#))

- No vaccine-related updates

## *Respiratory Virus Season, 2025-2026*

Acute respiratory illnesses causing people to seek healthcare is still low, but RSV activity in many southeastern, southern, and mid-Atlantic states is increasing; ED visits and hospitalizations are increasing among children 0-4 years. COVID-19 activity is low, and seasonal influenza activity is increasing.

### **In-Season Disease Burden Estimates**

#### **Influenza:**

Since October 1, 2025:

- Flu Illnesses: 2.9 - 5.3 Million
- Flu Medical Visits: 1.4 - 2.4 Million
- Flu Hospitalizations: 30,000 - 61,000
- Flu Deaths: 1,200 - 6,100

### *Delaware Dashboards*

[MyHealthyCommunity](#) (last updated 12/6/25)

	<b>Flu</b>	<b>COVID</b>
New Cases	167	49
Total Cases	428	678
Hospitalizations	0	Avg Daily: 0.9
Vaccine Administered	209,581	63,111
% Vaccinated	20.8%	n/a
Wastewater Levels	Very Low	Very Low

### **Cases by County**

	<b>Flu (this week)</b>	<b>Flu (total)</b>	<b>COVID (this week)</b>
Total	167	428	30
New Castle	60	191	7
Kent	47	91	12
Sussex	56	138	49

## RSV

(10/25-11/22)

- Total ED Visits: 55
- Vaccine doses administered: 4,877

## News

- [Eurosurveillance](#): Influenza A(H3N2) subclade K cases may suggest a longer-than-normal season in the Northern Hemisphere
- [NHS](#): Flu hospitalizations in the UK surged by more than half in one week
- [WHO](#): Rapid increase of Influenza A(H3N2) J.2.4.1 alias K subclade in several countries since August 2025. No increase in disease severity noted.

# Measles 2025

[Nationwide](#) (12/09/25)

1,912 Confirmed Cases, 43 Jurisdictions

47 Confirmed Outbreaks (3+ related cases)

- 1,673 of confirmed cases are outbreak-associated
- 24 cases reported among international visitors
  
- Deaths: 3

Age	Cases	Hospitalizations
Under 5	500 (26%)	103 (21%)
5-19 years	786 (41%)	47 (6%)
20+ years	613 (32%)	68 (11%)
Unknown	13 (1%)	0

Check out [ICD's Measles Update Page](#) for more granular information.

**CDC Health Alert Network:** [Expanding Measles Outbreak in the United States and Guidance for the Upcoming Travel Season](#)

## News:

- [Connecticut](#) reports first case of measles since 2021 (unvaccinated child under the age of 10, who travelled internationally recently)
- [South Carolina](#) quarantines hundreds during measles spread

## From the Experts

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## Outbreak News

### [WHO Disease Outbreak News](#)

December 1: DRC - Ebola Virus Disease

December 5: USA - Avian Influenza A(H5N5)

December 5: Global - Transmission of mpox due to clade Ib

December 10: Global - Seasonal influenza

### [CDC Outbreak List](#)

November 2025:

- Prepared Pasta Meals - *Listeria*
- Bearded Dragons - *Salmonella*
- Moringa Leaf Powder - *Salmonella*
- Infant Formula - Infant Botulism

### [Travel Notices](#)

Level 2: Practice Enhanced Precautions

- **Polio - Global**
- Chikungunya - Cuba, Indian Ocean Region, Bolivia, China, **Sri Lanka, Bangladesh**
- Yellow Fever - Colombia

Level 1: Practice Usual Precautions

- Rabies - India & Haiti
- **Marburg - Ethiopia**
- **Rift Valley Fever - Senegal, Mauritania**
- Global - Dengue, Measles
- Oropouche Fever - Americas
- Ebola - DRC



Issue [1848](#): December 10, 2025

- Summary of ACIP's Dec 4-5 meeting (changing recommendations on use of hepatitis B vaccine in infants born to HBsAg-negative mothers)
- Statements from professional organizations following the December 2025 ACIP meeting
- AAP releases new *Fact Checked* resources to address common vaccine misconceptions with facts and supporting evidence
- Q&A on meningococcal disease and vaccines updated

**Ask the Experts:** [Measles and MMR Vaccination](#)

**Ask the Experts:** [2025-2026 Season Influenza and RSV Immunization](#)

## In the News

### In The News

- [AP](#): What are parents to do as doctors clash with Trump administration over vaccines?
- Cohort [study](#) from Israel suggests adults who survive a COVID hospitalization face higher long-term mortality than their uninfected peers, which persists for 2 years after hospitalization
- First case of human-to-human transmission of [mpox](#) clade 1b outside of

- endemic regions (Spain)
- Pakistan begins last [anti-polio](#) vaccination drive of the year after surge in new cases
- Statement of the [WHO Global Advisory Committee on Vaccine Safety](#) on vaccines and autism
- Weekly ([week 49](#), 12/06/25) cases of Pertussis: 174 in the US (YTD = 26,632)
- WHO expert group's new analysis reaffirms there is [no link](#) between vaccines and autism

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## **2026 ICD Quarterly Meetings**

2:00 - 3:30 pm on the fourth Thursday.

- February 26, 2026
- May 28, 2026
- August 27, 2026
- November 19, 2026

The meetings will be held on zoom, unless otherwise specified.

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<https://www.immunizedelaware.org/>

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