

# Board of Health Presentation

March 4, 2025



**MAPLEWOOD**  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT



# Nursing Update



## Nursing Report- February

Reportable Disease Investigated: 1

COVID-19 Cases Investigated: 0

Immunization Audits: 5





Heroes come in all “TYPES” - O,A,B,AB  
Please help support patients with **Sickle Cell** disease.

# BLOOD DRIVE



**Friday, March 21, 2025**  
**11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Essex County Hall of Records Parking Garage**  
84 West Market Street, Newark NJ



Learn more today! Visit [sicklecellspeaks.com](https://sicklecellspeaks.com) and [TogetherForRare.com](https://TogetherForRare.com)

Sponsored by the  
Essex County Office of Public Health Management, Pfizer and Pathways To Trust.

Medical eligibility questions answered by calling 732-235-8100 ext .221. Please bring a photo ID and be sure to eat and drink prior to donating! All donors will receive a Wawa or Starbucks coffee card!



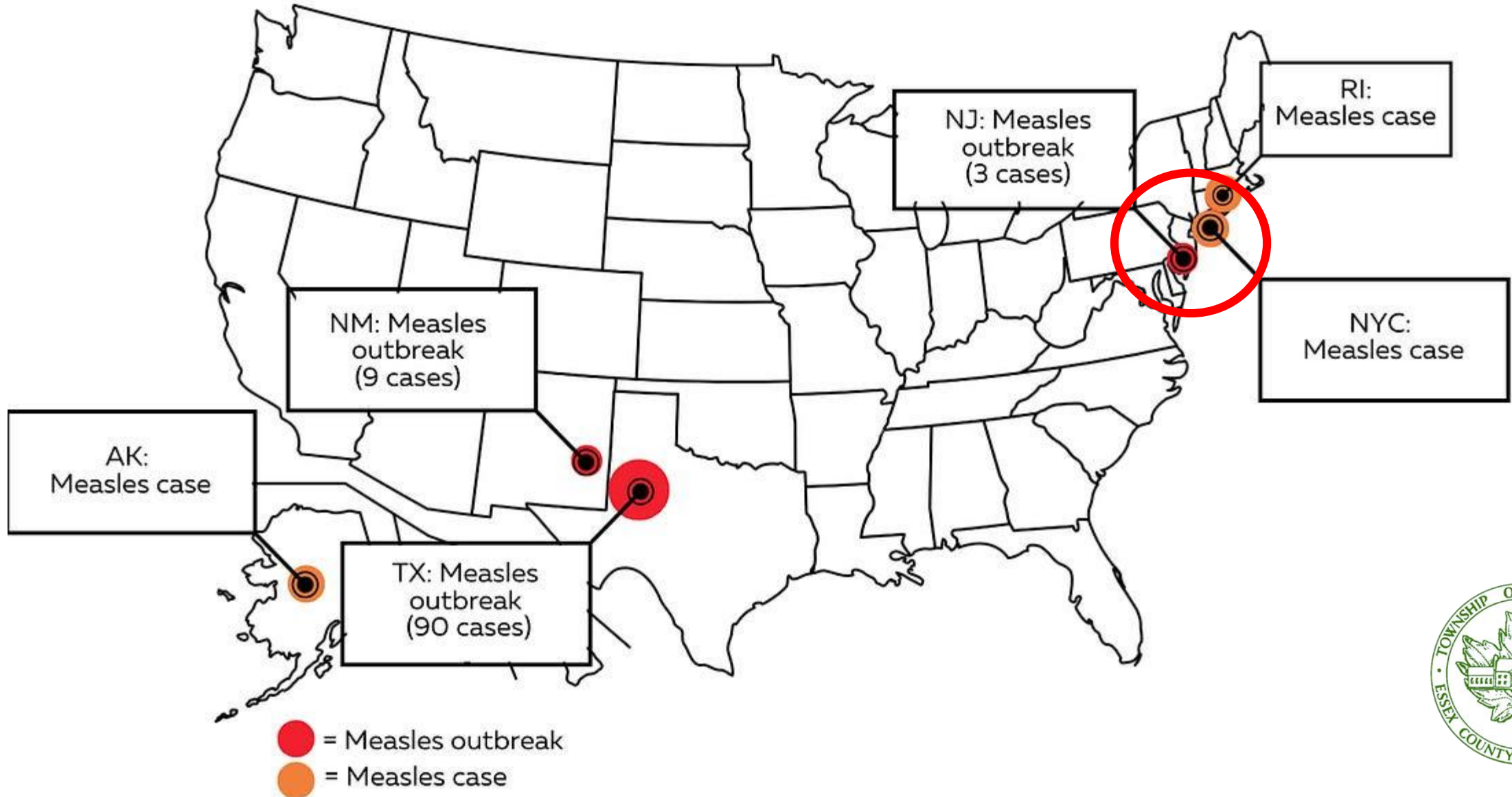
**APPOINTMENTS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED.**  
**USE THE QR CODE OR VISIT: [GIVEBLOOD.RWJBH.ORG](https://GIVEBLOOD.RWJBH.ORG)**



# MEASLES in NJ

# Outbreaks Across the U.S.

(past week)



## U.S. Cases in 2025

Total cases

**164**

### Age

Under 5 years: **55 (34%)**

5-19 years: **79 (48%)**

20+ years: **29 (18%)**

Age unknown: **1 (1%)**

### Vaccination Status

Unvaccinated or Unknown: **95%**

One MMR dose: **3%**

Two MMR doses: **2%**

## U.S. Hospitalizations in 2025

**20%**

20% of cases hospitalized (32 of 164).

### Percent of Age Group Hospitalized

Under 5 years: **29% (16 of 55)**

5-19 years: **13% (10 of 79)**

20+ years: **17% (5 of 29)**

Age unknown: **100% (1 of 1)**

## U.S. Deaths in 2025

**1**

There has been 1 confirmed death from measles







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# Vaccines For Children (VFC)



Vaccines For Children are available by  
appointment only.  
To schedule an appointment  
call 973-877-8456

Offering all the recommended childhood vaccines, including the COVID-19 Vaccine

- |         |               |                     |        |
|---------|---------------|---------------------|--------|
| • DTaP  | • Hepatitis A | • MenB              | • TD   |
| • Flu   | • Hepatitis B | • Meningo Conj MCV4 | • Tdap |
| • HPV 9 | • IPV         | • PCV15             | • Var  |
|         |               |                     | • MMR  |

## Eligibility Requirements

(Children through 18 years of age)

- Medicaid eligible or NJ FamilyCare Plan A
- Uninsured
- American Indian or Alaskan Native

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# Vaccine for Children Clinic Sites for March 2025

Wednesday March 5, 2025

3:30 - 6:30 PM

Essex County

Watsessing Park Community Center

38 Conger Street  
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

All ACIP Recommended Vaccines  
Registration Required

Wednesday March 12, 2025

3:30 - 6:30 PM

Upper Central Fieldhouse

234 Lincoln Avenue  
Orange, NJ 07050

**\*NEW LOCATION\***

All ACIP Recommended Vaccines  
Registration Required

Wednesday March 19, 2025

3:30-6:30PM

Essex County

Bilal Beasley

Community Center

Directly across the street from  
644 Lyons Avenue Irvington, NJ 07111

All ACIP Recommended Vaccines  
Registration Required



To schedule an appointment,  
call 973-877-8456 or send an email to  
vfc@essexcountynj.org

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# Essex County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)

Whether you're a **medical professional** or simply someone passionate about **improving public health**, the MRC offers a unique opportunity to contribute your skills and energy during times of need.

Ready to volunteer? Get involved and spread the word!

- **Make a difference** in the health and well-being of Essex County residents .
- **Gain valuable training** in emergency preparedness and public health.
- **Collaborate with passionate volunteers** focused on resilience and response.

Together, we can make Essex County stronger, one volunteer at a time!

*Watch the video below to learn more about how you can join or assist: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/WbQ8KxUKMiq1cex8>*

*To get started or if you have any questions, feel free to reach out to us at [gcespedes@dchs.essexcountynj.org](mailto:gcespedes@dchs.essexcountynj.org)*

# AVIAN FLU (H5N1) UPDATE

# Avian Influenza (H5N1) in Union County Live Bird Market

- **2/21/25: infected poultry identified at a Union County live bird market.**
- State agencies continue to aggressively monitor occurrences of H5N1 avian influenza in domestic and wild bird populations There have been recent confirmations of deaths in localized wild bird populations in parts of NJ (snow geese and Canada Geese)
- The CDC has declared that the ongoing nationwide H5N1 outbreak is primarily an animal health issue that poses low risk to the health of the public
- **There have been no recent reports in cattle and no human infections in the state**



# Avian Influenza (H5N1) Update cont.

- Three principal state agencies involved in monitoring and responding to Avian Influenza
  - **NJ Department of Environmental Protection:** If you encounter sick or dead wild birds report the finding to the DEP hotline at 877-WARN-DEP (877-927-6337)
  - **NJ Department of Health:** Seasonal influenza activity continues to increase, as expected for this time of the year. However, there are no reports of human novel influenza cases, including H5N1 bird flu, in NJ at this time
  - **NJ Department of Agriculture:** Sick or dead domestic birds should be reported to 609-671-6400)
- For more information on H5N1 visit: <https://www.nj.gov/H5N1>



# Steps to Reduce Risk of Exposure to H5N1

- Avoid direct contact with wild birds; observe them from a distance
- Avoid unprotected contact with wild or domestic birds that appear sick or have died
- Only eat or drink pasteurized milk or dairy products and avoid feeding pets raw (unpasteurized) milk or dairy products.
- Cook poultry, eggs, and beef to appropriate internal temperatures before consumption

## Occupational Hazard

- Take additional precautions, including wearing PPE if you may be in contact with infected or potentially infected birds, dairy cows, or other animals



# Environmental Health & Animal Control Services



# Environmental Health- FEBRUARY

## Inspections

- Restaurant inspections: 13
  - Pre-operation inspections: 0
  - Re-inspections: 1
  - Mobile Food Trucks: 0
- Daycare inspections: 13
- Complaints: 13
- NOVs: 19
- Summonses: 1

## Health Department Licenses:

- ✓ Retail Food Establishments (Restaurants)
- ✓ One Day Food Licenses (events/festivals)
- ✓ Vape Shops
- ✓ Body Art/ Tattoo Parlors
- ✓ Massage/ Spa
- ✓ Recreational Bathing (Pools)
- ✓ Childcare Centers
- ✓ Kennels
- ✓ Dogs, Cats and Chickens





# January and February 2025 Animal Control Statistics

Total Calls: 13

Bite: 1

Enforcement: 1

Other: 2

Stray: 1

Stray Animals Impounded: 1

Rescue Group: 1

Wildlife: 8



# Social Services/Mental Health



# Crisis Intervention Social Workers Report

## FEBRUARY 2025

MONTH	TOTAL CASES	New Cases	Co-Response	Clinical Cases
FEBRUARY	19	17	9	15



# MAKE THE RIGHT CALL

Emergency  
Services

**911**

Mental  
Health  
Crisis

**988**

Social  
Services

**211**

Poison  
Control

**800-222-1222**

AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK

