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NO MEASLES EXPOSURE

Westchester County Health Department assures residents there is no measles exposure at this time.

(White Plains, NY) – Parents of fewer than a dozen children who attend a childcare center in northern Westchester were notified on Sunday that their children might have been exposed to measles, but definitive results tonight found that there was no exposure.

The alert came after a child who attends the daycare started to exhibit symptoms consistent with measles. The child, who was vaccinated, had been tested for measles but preliminary results were inconclusive.

Given the possible exposure, parents on Sunday had the choice of waiting for definitive results while keeping their children home from daycare or seeking post-exposure treatment at the Maria Ferrari Children's Hospital.

This choice was presented by the County Health Department in consultation with the New York State Department of Health. Parents of children potentially affected were contacted Sunday by County Health Department nurses.

The Health Department receives reports of suspected measles cases once a week. So far, no suspect cases have been confirmed to be measles.

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About Westchester County

Westchester County, located in the heart of the historic Hudson Valley, covers 500 square miles and has a population of just under a million. Originally home to Native Americans, who were members of the Lenape tribe, it is today a rich mix of many cultures and landscapes. The County is a blend of bustling cities, quaint villages and picturesque towns as well as open spaces and a network of beautiful parks. Westchester is made up of 6 cities, 19 towns and 20 villages. Westchester County is known for top-notch public schools, and a high

quality of life. The County is also an intellectual capital, boasting a highly educated workforce, competitive colleges and universities, Fortune 500 companies, world changing non-profits, and cutting-edge research centers. Westchester is led by County Executive George Latimer, who took office in January 2018 as the ninth County Executive. Using inclusion and openness as a foreground, Latimer is fighting to make Westchester a destination for all people to live, work and enjoy. Learn more about Westchester County by visiting www.westchestergov.com

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