

WHO issues measles warning in Europe

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More than 34,000 people across Europe caught measles in the first two months of 2019, with the vast majority of cases in Ukraine, the World Health Organization said on Tuesday as it urged authorities to ensure vulnerable people get vaccinated.

- 1. More than 34,000 people across Europe
- 2. And the vast

3. The World Health Organization urged authorities on Tuesday

4-1. The death toll reported across 42 countries 4-2. with the virus

5. And the WHO warned

6. Measles is a highly contagious disease _____

7. It can be prevented ______

8-1. But - in part

9. There is no _____

10. And vaccination is the only way

11. Europe did achieve around 90% coverage

12. But research suggest there are still areas of declining or stagnating uptake _____

13-1. The WHO urged health authorities in Europe

13-2. and target them _____

[Vocabulary]

measles: an infectious disease common in children in which there are red spots all over the body and a high fever

case: an instance of a disease; a person with a disease

• a case of pneumonia

The World Health Organization: a department of the United Nations that aims to improve health all over the world and limit the spread of diseases

urge: to advise someone very strongly about what action or attitude they should take

• The President urged patience against terror.

authorities: persons in command: GOVERNMENT

• the local authorities of each state

vulnerable: someone who is vulnerable is weak or easy to hurt physically or mentally

• The government must help the most vulnerable groups in our society.

vaccinate: to treat a person or an animal with a vaccine to protect them against a disease

• All the children were vaccinated against diphtheria.

death toll: the number of deaths resulting from some particular cause such as an accident or a battle or a natural disaster

• The death toll from the tanker fire rose to 100.

outbreak: a sudden rise in the incidence of a disease

• An outbreak of food poisoning led to the deaths of five people.

contagious: a contagious disease spreads from one person to another through touch or through the air

• The best way to avoid contagious diseases is to avoid people.

blindness: lack of sight

deafness: partial or complete loss of hearing

brain damage: damage to someone's brain as a result of an accident or illness

dose: an amount of a drug that has been measured so that you can take it

• If you are in pain, increase the dose of painkillers.

vaccine: a substance put into the body, usually by injection, in order to provide protection against a disease

• Many diseases have been prevented by vaccines.

pocket: a small area which has a particular quality that makes it different from the areas around it; a small isolated group of people

• There are still pockets of resistance to the government forces.

unvaccinated: not vaccinated

• unvaccinated children

specific: exact and detailed

antiviral: any drug that destroys viruses

treatment: a particular method or type of medical care

vaccination: taking a vaccine as a precaution against contracting a disease

coverage: the extent to which something is covered

measles vaccination:

research: the detailed study of something in order to discover new facts, especially in a

university or scientific institution

• Our research showed that people drink more red wine than white wine.

decline: to become less or worse

stagnate: to stay the same without growing or developing

uptake: an act or instance of absorbing and incorporating especially into a living organism, tissue, or cell

immunity: the protection that someone's body gives them against a particular disease

gap: a large difference between things or groups

health authorities: an organization that is responsible for hospitals and medical services in a particular area

work out: to find the solution to (a problem or question) or understand the meaning of

target: to try to persuade or to influence a particular group of people

• Television advertising that is targeted at children.

specifically: in an exact and detailed way; used for describing something in a more exact way

• The reasons for the change were not *specifically* mentioned.