

# Measles Information Sheet

## Measles Facts

- Measles is a serious respiratory disease that resonates in the lungs and breathing tubes, and causes a rash and fever. It is very contagious and in some cases, it can be deadly (CDC 2015).
- Normally passed through direct contact and through the air, it can be caught by being in a room where a person with measles has been, up to 2 hours after that person is gone (WHO 2015).
- In 2000, the United States declared that measles had been eliminated throughout the country. Today, that is no longer accurate due to the sudden increase of confirmed cases.
- No specific antiviral treatment exists for measles virus (WHO 2015).
- For some, measles can lead to very serious lifelong issues including pneumonia, brain damage, deafness and death (CDC 2015).

## About the Webinar: *Spotting Measles: VisualDx Clinical Education Series*

To provide health care professionals and the general public with information about the disease, VisualDx, the world's leading clinical decision support system for physicians and front line health care professionals, hosted a free 20-minute webinar with infectious disease specialist, Dr. Cynthia Christy, to explain details about the disease, how to recognize it and how to treat it. Dr. Cynthia Christy also answered questions and offered visuals of the disease from VisualDx's curated image library.

[Click here to view the Spotting Measles: VisualDx Clinical Education Series Webinar.](#)

## Notable Speaker

Dr. Cynthia Christy is a pediatric infectious disease specialist in Rochester, New York. Pediatric infectious disease specialists, a subspecialty of [infectious disease specialists](#), treat children with a broad array of diseases caused by germs, viruses and fungi, ranging from flu to hospital acquired infections to pneumonia. Dr. Christy received her medical degree from University of Vermont College of Medicine and has been in practice for 35 years.

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# VisualDx Company Information

## About VisualDx

VisualDx is an award-winning diagnostic clinical decision support system that has become the standard electronic resource at more than half of U.S. medical schools and more than 1,500 hospitals and institutions nationwide. VisualDx combines clinical search with the world's best medical image library, plus medical knowledge from experts to help with diagnosis, treatment, self-education, and patient communication. Expanding to provide diagnostic decision support across general medicine, the new VisualDx will bring increased speed and accuracy to the art of diagnosis. For more information, visit [visualdx.com](http://visualdx.com).



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Dr. Goldsmith is Dean emeritus of the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry and Professor emeritus of dermatology at the University of North Carolina. He chairs the VisualDx editorial board and recruits expert physicians for both authoring and editorial contribution. Dr. Goldsmith is Editor-in-Chief emeritus of both the *Journal of Investigative Dermatology* and *Journal Watch Dermatology*, and he is an editor of the definitive dermatology text *Fitzpatrick's Dermatology in General Medicine*.

Dr. Goldsmith is one of the Masters of Dermatology in the American Academy of Dermatology and has received multiple honors, such as the Distinguished Service Award and Distinguished Presidential Citation from the American Academy of Dermatology and the Stephen Rothman Memorial Service Award from the Society for Investigative Dermatology. He has been President of the Association of Professors of Dermatology, Society for Investigative Dermatology, and the American Dermatology Association. Dr. Goldsmith has headed many professional committees and served on multiple medical advisory boards. He is an honorary member of the British, Japanese, and Polish Societies of Dermatology. He holds a US patent and has written over 160 publications and book chapters.



**Art Papier, MD**  
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Dr. Papier is the co-founder of VisualDx and Chief Executive Officer. A thought leader in clinical informatics, Dr. Papier maintains the overall vision for the VisualDx product, with a keen focus on software integration and impacting costs in healthcare through clinical accuracy. His entrepreneurial drive, years of clinical experience, and passion for delivering true healthcare solutions have propelled VisualDx clinical decision support to the top in quality and innovation.

A dermatologist and medical informatics expert, Dr. Papier has a particular interest in designing clinical decision support systems based on visually rich knowledge areas to reduce diagnostic error at the point of care. In line with this goal, he is focused on transforming medical education to include training in cognitive error and the use of information technology. Dr. Papier also focuses on consumer health, developing tools to educate and empower patients.

A graduate of Wesleyan University, Dr. Papier completed his premed studies at Columbia University, received his MD from the University of Vermont College of Medicine, and completed his graduate medical training at the University of Rochester Medical Center. He is an Associate Professor of Dermatology and Medical Informatics at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry.