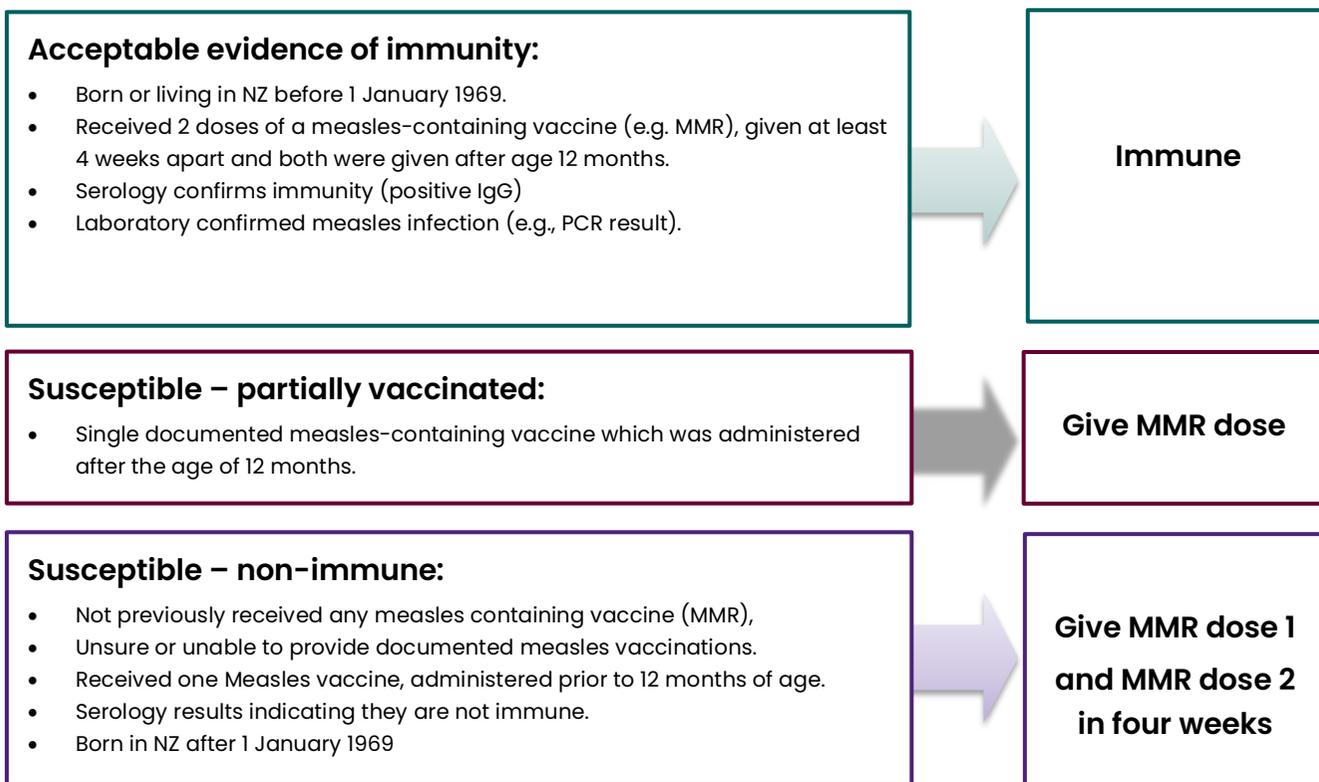


Assessing Measles Immunity of Healthcare Workers

Healthcare workers are at high risk of exposure to measles if it is circulating in the community and cases present to healthcare facilities. This means it's important that all team members are protected against measles. Healthcare workers include all workers regardless of their employment status such as administrative staff, cleaners, doctors, nurses, students, contractors and volunteers.



The purpose of this guidance is to:

- Improve healthcare facility worker measles protection through proactive vaccination.
- Support the assessment of healthcare facility workers immunity to measles.
- Minimise disruption to healthcare services when staff are exposed to measles at work, or in the community.
- Healthcare facility workers who are exposed to measles and are considered “Susceptible” will need urgent assessment and management by Occupational Health and Public Health as per the [CDC Manual](#).
- Due to the increased risk of transmission in healthcare settings there is an extended exclusion period for non-immune close contacts; from day 5 after first exposure until day 21 after last exposure.

*Note: Healthcare workers with known or potential immunosuppression or are pregnant need to be individually assessed and a plan in place to minimise risk.

**If you receive your second MMR dose more than 4 weeks before measles exposure, you will be considered immune to measles.