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88 mothers have graduated from Healthy Babies workshop!

















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Overall, respondents reported a range of positive lifestyle changes as a result of the HBHF programme:

- 96% feel better about themselves
- 74% have met new people in the community
- 96% who report receiving help for themselves and their whanau
- 96% said they are now more confident to cook nutritious meals.

67% of respondents have made at least two positive changes to eating behaviours

67% of participants are now doing five times or more physical exercises per week.

• 89% felt very well supported by the programme.

### Our achievements:

**181** people joined our free TextMATCH service with NIHI

88 mums learnt how to prepare and cook healthier meals, shop on a budget, read food labels and be more active

### References

**Immunisation Advisory Centre** 

https://www.immune.org.nz/diseases/measles

Auckland Regional Public Health Services

https://www.arphs.health.nz/publichealth-topics/disease-and-illness/ measles/

**Ministry of Health** 

https://www.health.govt.nz/yourhealth/conditions-and-treatments/ diseases-and-illnesses/measles/2019measles-outbreak-information

# Join our free TextMATCH programme



# Chinese playgroup and parenting class newly opened in Unsworth Heights



# **Heath information sharing**

#### Measles

- .Measles is a highly contagious respiratory virus spread from person to non-protected vulnerable person very quickly
- .Parents are at risk of getting measles if not fully (2 doses) immunised
- .Usually takes 10-12 days for measles to appear after you have been exposed. You are infectious during this period even if you don't have symptoms. Think how many people you meet in 12 days
- .Symptoms start off like the flu-runny nose, fever, cough then conjunctivitis (inflammation in the eyes). This can last for 2-4 days
- .After the first symptoms a rash then appears beginning at your head and travelling down your body. The rash lasts up to 1 week
- .Unfortunately complications from measles are common
  - -there is no treatment for measles
- -The measles virus supresses the immune system, lowering the body's ability to fight other infections for several years after the infection
  - -Commonly ear infections, pneumonia and diarrhoea occur
- -Less common encephalitis (swelling of the brain), inflammation of the small airways lungs, kidneys, heart or liver or death
- .If you contract measles whilst pregnant there is an increased risk of miscarriage, premature labour or low birth weight for baby
- .If you don't have any immunisation history it is better to get one dose of vaccine than remain unprotected. Women should wait one month after vaccination before trying to get pregnant

### What can you do:

- Immunisation is the key to protecting yourself & your children against measles
- •MMR (Measles, mumps and rubella) vaccine is free for any resident/citizen born after 1969 who hasn't had two doses of MMR vaccine before
- •2 doses of the MMR vaccine given 4 weeks apart gives you the best protection of getting the measles virus. One dose gives 95% protection
- •MMR vaccine is now given to Auckland children at 12 months and 4 years
- •There are many countries with measles outbreaks please speak to your GP/nurse before travelling to discuss if your baby or you should have one before you travel
- •People born before 1969 are believed to be immune (protected) due to high rates of natural infection in the general population at this time
- •If you cannot remember if you have had a dose there are no concerns if you end up getting four doses in your lifetime

















