Quick Facts

In 2020, one in five Coloradans had not received all the recommended early childhood vaccinations by 35 months of age, leaving them susceptible to vaccine-preventable diseases.

There were over $1.1 billion in hospital and emergency department (ED) charges to treat Coloradans for vaccine-preventable diseases in 2019.

Routine vaccination of children dropped by as much as 82% in early 2020 and has not recovered to a level needed to make up for missed doses.

Nearly 45,000 Colorado students would potentially be excluded from school for up to 21 days in the case of a measles outbreak because they have an exemption to the MMR vaccine on file (2020).
Of the 50 schools in this district, 6% achieve recommended vaccination levels that help ensure community immunity* for all school required vaccines. This means that 25,951 students in this district attend a school that does not achieve high protection from the diseases prevented by school-required vaccines.

Out of the 148,442 students in this district, 1,632 might be at risk of exclusion from school in the instance of a measles outbreak because they either have an exemption to the MMR vaccine on file or do not have a record of MMR vaccination.

The bars above reflect the district’s level of protection by disease, taking into account both community immunity levels and Healthy People 2020 Goals. For more information visit us at ImmunizeColorado.org.

* Community Immunity is achieved when enough people in the community - roughly 95% for a disease like measles - are vaccinated to protect against the spread of disease. Maintaining high vaccine coverage is especially important for those who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons or those too young to receive vaccines.