

Dr. Pritish Tosh, infectious diseases transcript

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Measles

Sound bite transcript

Dr. Pritish Tosh sot #1

“150,000 children each year die across the world from measles and we have a very effective vaccine that prevents measles. Unfortunately, we’ve been seeing a decline in vaccinations in the U.S. for a number of different reasons, but really, none of it very scientifically driven.

Dr. Pritish Tosh sot #2

“We’ve been seeing a decline in children being vaccinated against measles we start to see more of these measles outbreaks.

Dr. Pritish Tosh sot #3

“This can be a very serious infection, potentially causing death. I think we’ve lost the community memory of how bad measles can be. Kids used to die from this and this is an entirely preventable disease. We have a very effective vaccine.

Dr. Pritish Tosh sot #4

“Some of the symptoms include a pretty classic rash as well as fever. People can have some respiratory illness and occasionally it gets pretty serious. It can infect the brain and the area around the brain.

Dr. Pritish Tosh sot #5

“I plead with parents to fully vaccinate their children to the CDC recommended schedule, not just of their child, but to provide this protection, this herd immunity for all children.