

Update on the Case of Airport Employees Catching Measles

Kansai Airports today announced an update about measles infection of those working at Kansai International Airport. New information is as follows:

As of 2:00 pm on September 8, there are a total of 33 people working at Kansai International Airport who have been found to be positive for measles. This is no change from yesterday. From our own headquarters examination, of these people, 31 have already recovered.

Kansai Airports has been conducting numerous measures to inform customers of this measles outbreak, including placing posters around the airport, uploading information to our homepage.

Kansai Airports has notified its employees that if they are exhibiting symptoms they should not come to work. Moreover details of contacting hospitals/clinics were provided. Kansai Airports is working closely with the Izumi Sano Health Office of the Osaka Prefecture and related government agencies in order to ensure that appropriate measures to prevent the spread of infection are in place.

Some of the staff that contracted measles were engaged in the hospitality business. Measles is an infectious disease caused by a virus, and is very contagious. As the incubation period ranges from 10 to 12 days, customers who visited Kansai International Airport on or after August 18, and who may exhibit the symptoms outlined below are encouraged to seek medical attention. We are providing information on the Kansai Airports website to help keep the spread of this infection to a minimum.

In order to minimize the spread of the infection, Kansai Airports will continue to publish informational updates when appropriate.

For more information about measles, please refer to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare's website: <http://www.mhlw.go.jp/qa/kenkou/hashika/index.html>

Symptoms of Measles

- A high temperature (fever), sore eyes (conjunctivitis) and a runny nose usually occur first.
- Small white spots usually develop inside the mouth a day or so later.
- A harsh dry cough is usual.
- Not all these symptoms may appear.
- The fever does dissipate for a day and a half, before returning.

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