Dear Student Health Centers:

Please review the linked update on mumps outbreaks at colleges also posted at the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) mumps website:

Outbreaks of mumps have been occurring at many colleges and universities in the Eastern and Midwestern United States, and now at the University of San Diego. As students return from their travels during Spring Break, mumps may be introduced onto your campus.

Steps you can take include:

- Encourage all students who have had fewer than two doses of MMR vaccine to catch up in order to reduce their risk.

- Be prepared - Review with your staff CDPH guidelines for investigation, testing and isolation of suspect mumps cases.

- If you suspect a case of mumps on your campus, please:
  - Contact your local health department
  - Obtain a buccal swab specimen for pcr testing
  - Isolate the patient from others for 5 days after the onset of parotitis

- Read more on preventing a mumps outbreak on college campuses.

Thank you for your efforts to protect the health of your students and community.