



What is Roseola?

- Roseola is a mild childhood rash, caused by human herpesvirus 6 (HHV-6) and human herpesvirus 7 (HHV-7)

What are symptoms that could occur?

- Sudden onset of high fever
- Fever is followed by a rash, small separated rose-pink spots
- Duration of fever and rash is typically 3-5 days

How is it spread?

- Person-to-person through contact with infected person's respiratory secretions or saliva
- Symptoms usually appear 5-15 days after exposure
- Person is contagious even without a rash present

How is it diagnosed and treated?

- Primary care provider evaluation and laboratory work
- Treatment is aimed at relief of symptoms

How can it be prevented?

- Avoid contact with individuals who have fevers
- After first infection, antibodies are created making people immune to a second infection

Should the sick individuals be isolated?

- Yes. Sick individuals should be kept isolated

When can the individual return to the general population?

- May return when temperature returns to normal for at least 24hrs without medication and the individual feels well

Should facilities do special cleaning?

- Special cleaning is not necessary. Routine cleaning with EPA approved products is recommended

If I have any other questions, whom can I contact?

- Call the Genesee County Health Department at 257-1017