

## **Class Action Summary**

## Merck Mumps Vaccine Class Action

This is not an official Court Notice. Information contained in this Summary is subject to change. There is no monetary settlement at this time.

If you or your business purchased Mumps Vaccines on or after **January 1**, **1999**, an antitrust class action lawsuit alleging price fixing may affect you.

<u>Eligible Class Members</u>: If certified, eligible Class Members are all persons or entities who or which, on or after January 1, 1999, purchased "Mumps Vaccine(s)" directly from Merck & Co., Inc. ("Merck" or "Defendant").

<u>Definition of "Mumps Vaccine(s)"</u>: Mumps is a contagious viral disease characterized by fever, headache, muscle weakness, loss of appetite and swelling of one or more of the salivary glands (severe complications are rare but include inflammation of the brain and spinal cord, sterility and deafness). The Mumps Vaccine is exclusively supplied by Merck and includes M-M-R®II (incorporating vaccines for mumps, measles and rubella into a single injectable) and ProQuad (a multi-disease vaccine that includes vaccinations for mumps, measles, rubella and chicken pox in a single injection).

<u>Case History</u>: In January 2012, a class action lawsuit was filed in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania alleging the Defendant unlawfully monopolized the U.S. market for Mumps Vaccine by engaging in a decadelong scheme to falsify, misrepresent and conceal the efficacy of its vaccine. At this time, the litigation is ongoing. It is impossible to predict the outcome; however, it is possible that money may become available to eligible class members if a settlement is reached with the Defendants in the future.

If a monetary settlement is obtained, information about it will be available from Class Counsel. You also may visit the court approved website once one is established.

Please understand that you have the right to file on your own if and when there is a monetary settlement.

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