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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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1. **Michael Mina, PhD, MD,** Resident Physician in Clinical Pathology, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School

Measles outbreaks are spiking worldwide. Dr. Mina discussed the reasons behind the soaring rate of infections. He noted that for even those who survive an outbreak, measles can compromise a person's immune system for up to two years afterwards. He said the MMR vaccinations are proven to be very safe and parents should not hesitate to have their children vaccinated.

Issues covered:
Measles Outbreaks
Vaccinations
Public Health

2. **Deborah Schwengel, MD**, Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and Johns Hopkins Children's Center

Dr. Schwengel, led a comprehensive nationwide study that found that the rate of lawnmower injuries remains at a consistently high level, with most of them requiring surgery and hospitalization. She explained how the most common incidents occur and how adults can take steps to protect children from injury.

<u>Issues covered:</u>
Personal Injury Prevention
Child Safety

3. **Tiffany Munzer, MD,** Pediatric Developmental Behavioral Fellow at the University of Michigan

Dr. Munzer led a study that examined parents reading to their children in different book formats: enhanced electronic (with sound effects and/or animation), electronic, and print. The study found that traditional books provide the greatest opportunities for discussion, conversation and parent/child bonding. She said the flashing lights and loud sounds in most e-readers detract from the potential benefits of a shared reading experience.

Issues covered:
Early Childhood Learning
Literacy
Parenting