

Hepatitis A Vaccine

What is Hepatitis A?

- ◇ Hepatitis A is a highly contagious, short-term liver infection caused by the hepatitis A virus *It can make you very sick and lead to hospitalizations and sometimes death.*
- ◇ Hepatitis means inflammation of the liver. When the liver is inflamed or damaged, its function can be affected.

TRANSMISSION/ EXPOSURE:

- ⇒ Person to Person Contact
- ⇒ Eating Contaminated food and

Hepatitis A is Preventable

Vaccine Schedule:

2 doses

- ◇ 1st dose- as early as 12 months old
- ◇ 2nd dose- at least 6 months after dose #1

Symptoms of Hep A Virus:



Yellow skin or eyes



Feeling tired



Loss of appetite



Stomach pain



Joint pain



Dark urine or light-colored stools



Fever



Throwing up



Upset stomach



Diarrhea

HEPATITIS A OUTBREAKS

WIDESPREAD PERSON-TO-PERSON OUTBREAKS OCCURRING IN THE U.S.

Vaccination is the best prevention

Since 2016, 37 states have publicly reported:



44,214
CASES



61%
HOSPITALIZATIONS



420
DEATHS

As of April 22, 2022



ONE DOSE
of HepA vaccine

95%
protection in
healthy adults

**CONTROLS
OUTBREAKS**
of hepatitis A



www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/HepAOutbreak