



# HEPATITIS A OUTBREAK: KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR IT

Since 2016, there have been outbreaks in 30 states.  
Of the reported hepatitis A cases, 60% required hospitalization.\*

Here are important facts to know about hepatitis A.

\*These data are evolving and the information is current as of 12/20/2019.

## WHAT IS HEPATITIS A?



Hepatitis A is a contagious liver infection that can cause damage to the liver



Hepatitis A can be mild or severe and last for weeks or months



Anyone can get hepatitis A

## WHO IS AT RISK FOR HEPATITIS A?



Persons who ingest contaminated food or drink



Men who have sex with men and people who use injection or non-injection drugs are at high risk for hepatitis A



Hepatitis A can also spread by having sex with a person who has hepatitis A or caring for them while they are sick

For complete list of Hep A risk factors, please see <https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/hav/index.htm>

## SYMPTOMS OF HEPATITIS A



Symptoms often include yellowing of the eyes and skin, called jaundice



Other symptoms include fever, vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, loss of appetite, stomach pain, and dark urine

## ASK YOUR DOCTOR OR PHARMACIST ABOUT GETTING VACCINATED AGAINST HEPATITIS A

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) advises that hepatitis A vaccination is the best way to help prevent hepatitis A infection. However, vaccination may not protect all recipients.

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