What to know about hepatitis A



What is hepatitis A?

- Hepatitis A is a serious liver disease caused by the hepatitis A virus.
- It can make you very sick and lead to hospitalization and sometimes death.

Who is at high risk?

- People who use injection and non-injection drugs
- People experiencing homelessness or with unstable housing
- Men who have sex with men
- People with direct contact with someone who has hepatitis A
- Travelers

How is hepatitis A spread?



Eating or drinking



Sharing syringes and drug use equipment



Unwashed hands



Sex with people who have hepatitis A

How can hepatitis A be prevented?



Get vaccinated.* It's the best way to prevent hepatitis A.



Wash hands with soap and water.

What are the symptoms?







Other symptoms include: stomach pain, dark pee, pale poop, tiredness, and lack of appetite.

If you have these symptoms, please contact your health care provider.







^{*} If you don't have insurance, you can get vaccine for free or low cost: www.health.state.mn.us/uuavsearch.