



Hepatitis A is on the rise in our area.















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Hepatitis A virus is in the feces of people who have the virus.

- If a person with the virus doesn't wash his or her hands after going to the bathroom, fecal matter can transfer to objects, food, drinks or drugs.
- · When these things are shared, other people can unknowingly swallow the virus.
- If a person who has the virus comes in close contact with others—like during sex-the virus can spread.

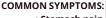


Stop the spread of hepatitis A:

- Wash your hands with soap and water after you use the bathroom, and before you eat and drink.
- · Don't share personal items, food, drinks or drugs.



 Contact your county health department for a free or low-cost vaccine, or call the hepatitis A information line, Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m., toll free: 1-844-CALL-DOH (844-225-5364). Email: HepA@flhealth.gov.



- Stomach pain
- Nausea and vomiting Yellow skin or eyes

Hepatitis A can lead to serious liver problems, even death.









