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?
- Yellowing of skin or eyes (jaundice)
- Fever
- Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea

Other symptoms include: stomach pain, dark urine, pale stool, tiredness, and lack of appetite.

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

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