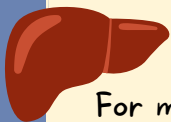


ALL ABOUT HEPATITIS A

WHAT IS HEPATITIS A?



Hepatitis A is a liver infection caused by the hepatitis A virus. For most people, hepatitis A is a short term illness and goes away on its own. For people who are immunocompromised or who have chronic liver disease, the illness caused by hepatitis A can be more serious and lead to hospitalization.

HOW IS IT TRANSMITTED?

By consuming microscopic amounts of feces (poop) of someone who has hepatitis A. This can happen through sex, sharing drug prep equipment, or eating contaminated food.



WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

Many people have no symptoms.

If they do have symptoms, they can include:

nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, grey poop, fatigue, joint pain, fever, dark colored pee, or jaundice (yellowing of the eyes)



CAN IT BE PREVENTED?

Yes! Hepatitis A is vaccine preventable.



The best way to prevent hepatitis A is by getting vaccinated. The vaccine is given as 2 doses, 6 months apart.

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