

Hepatitis

A



THE SPREAD

Hepatitis is a very contagious liver infection that can be spread from person to person. Hepatitis A is usually spread when a person ingests fecal matter. The amount may be so small that you can't even see it. This can happen when you touch objects, food or drinks contaminated by feces or stool from an infected person.

WHO IS AT HIGHEST RISK?

- ◆ People who have direct contact with someone who has hepatitis A
- ◆ People using recreational drugs in any way
- ◆ People who are homeless
- ◆ Men who have sex with men
- ◆ Travelers to countries where hepatitis A is common



For more information or to schedule an appointment,
Call: 304-485-7374 ext. 118

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOM OF HEPATITIS A?

- ◆ Fever
- ◆ Dark urine
- ◆ Clay-colored stool
- ◆ Loss of appetite
- ◆ Joint pain
- ◆ Nausea/vomiting
- ◆ Jaundice (yellowing of the skin and eyes)
- ◆ Abdominal Pain

What can you do?

To stop the spread of Hepatitis A, get vaccinated. You can get the shot at the health department, doctor's office or pharmacy.

And always **WASH YOUR HANDS** after going to the bathroom, changing a diaper and before preparing food or drinks.

Hand Sanitizer does not work to kill hepatitis A virus!