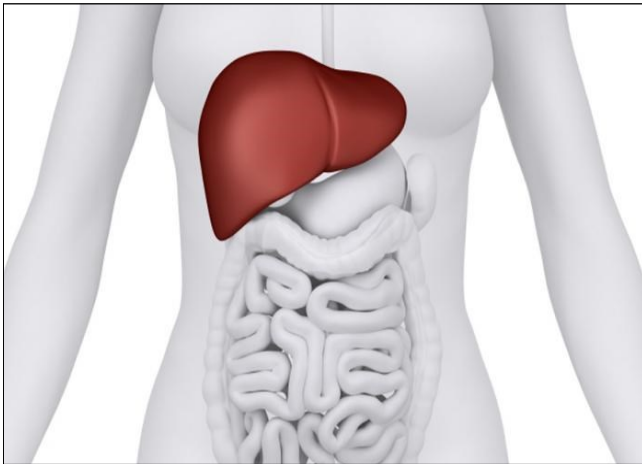


HEPATITIS **A** VIRUS INFECTION



Why should you care about Hepatitis A?

If a person has an infection with the Hepatitis A virus, it can easily spread from person to person and cause liver disease lasting a few weeks to a serious illness lasting many months. In some cases, people can die because of Hepatitis A.

How does Hepatitis A spread?

- Touching objects or eating food that someone with Hepatitis A infection handled.
- Having sex with someone who has Hepatitis A infection.

What are the symptoms of Hepatitis A?



If you have these symptoms, see your doctor or visit the closest Emergency Room.

How can you prevent Hepatitis A?

- Get two shots of the Hepatitis A vaccine.
- Don't have sex with someone who has Hepatitis A infection.
- Use your own towels, toothbrushes, and eating utensils.
- Don't share food, drinks, or smokes with other people.
- **Always wash your hands with soap and water after going to the bathroom and before preparing food.**



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