Hepatitis A is Spreading among MSM and persons using drugs in Michigan

HEPATITIS A IS A SERIOUS LIVER DISEASE CAUSED BY A VIRUS THAT IS FOUND IN THE FECES (POOP) OF INFECTED PEOPLE. 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, IT CAN BE DEADLY.

Protect yourself against this outbreak by getting your first dose of hep A vaccine.

YOU ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE INFECTED IF YOU:
• USE DRUGS (INJECTION, NON-INJECTION, OR MARIJUANA)
• HAVE SEX WITH AN INFECTED PERSON
• LIVE WITH OR HAVE CLOSE CONTACT WITH AN INFECTED PERSON
• TOUCH OR EAT FOOD OR DRINK THAT SOMEONE WITH HEPATITIS A INFECTION HANDLED

YOU CAN REDUCE YOUR RISK OF EXPOSURE BY:
• THOROUGHLY WASHING YOUR HANDS AND GENITALS WITH SOAPY WATER AFTER ANY SEXUAL ACTIVITY
• USING PROTECTION DURING ANY SEXUAL ACTIVITY INCLUDING ORAL OR ANAL SEX
• CHANGING CONDOMS BETWEEN ORAL AND ANAL SEX
• NOT SHARING SEX TOYS

For more information visit: www.mi.gov/hepatitisAoutbreak
or call 1-800-872-2437 M-F 9am-5pm

Protect yourself. Get vaccinated today.