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Hepatitis A case at Saginaw County Restaurant

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(Adrian, MI) The Saginaw County Health Department (SCHD) has confirmed a case of hepatitis A in a foodservice worker at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant and Old Country Store located at 6450 Dixie Highway in Bridgeport, Michigan. The facility is working with the SCHD during the investigation.

Anyone who visited the Cracker Barrel Restaurant and Old Country Store August 25-28 may have been exposed. These individuals are advised to receive the hepatitis A vaccine by September 8, 2019. Vaccination can prevent hepatitis A if given within 14 days of exposure. The hepatitis A vaccine is available at the Lenawee County Health Department by appointment by calling (517) 264-5226 and is also available through some healthcare providers and pharmacies.

Hepatitis A is a vaccine-preventable, contagious liver disease. While the hepatitis A vaccine is recommended as part of the routine childhood vaccination schedule, most adults have not been vaccinated and may be susceptible to HAV. It is most commonly spread by eating contaminated food or water, during sex, or just by living with an infected person.

For more information about hepatitis A, visit www.michigan.gov/hepatitisaoutbreak.

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