**Hepatitis A Vaccination Information**

The hepatitis A vaccine is a series of two shots given 6 months apart. The vaccine is available at healthcare provider offices and most pharmacies, as well as at the Barry-Eaton District Health Department.

**Have insurance that covers the vaccine?**

Please call your healthcare provider or local pharmacy to set up an appointment to get the vaccine. BEDHD also has vaccine available for most privately insured persons.

**Don’t have insurance, or your insurance doesn’t cover the vaccine?**

BEDHD has low-cost vaccine available for persons who lack insurance coverage for vaccines AND are in one or more of following high-risk groups:

- Household members and/or sexual partners of someone with hepatitis A
- Men who have sex with other men
- Persons with an acute or chronic liver disease
- Injecting drug users or a non-injecting methamphetamine users
- Persons traveling to or working in countries where hepatitis A is endemic
- Unvaccinated persons who expect close personal contact (e.g., household or regular babysitting) with an international adoptee during the first 60 days after their arrival in the United States from an endemic country

**Persons who are not eligible for the low-cost vaccine and whose insurance does not cover the vaccine must pay $71 for each dose of the hepatitis A vaccine.**

*NOTE: EXPANDED LOW-COST ELIGIBILITY LIST*

Because Eaton County is an official hepatitis A outbreak county (see [https://www.michigan.gov/hepatitisoutbreak](https://www.michigan.gov/hepatitisoutbreak)), people in the following high-risk groups are also eligible for the low-cost vaccine:

- Persons with a history of substance abuse
- Persons currently homeless or in transient living
- Men who have sex with men (MSM)
- Persons with underlying liver disease
- Persons who are or were recently incarcerated
- Persons who are in close contact with any of the above risk groups
- Food handlers
- Healthcare workers with direct patient care

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