WHAT IS MONKEYPOX?

It is a disease caused by the monkeypox virus. It can be very painful. It is rarely deadly.

SYMPTOMS CAN INCLUDE:

- Skin rash
- Fever
- Chills
- Headache
- Exhaustion
- Sore throat
- Stuffy nose
- Swollen lymph nodes
- Cough
- Backache
- Muscle aches

HOW IT SPREADS:

- Close skin-to-skin contact with a person with monkeypox
- Sex with a person with monkeypox
- Direct contact with rash, scabs, or body fluids from a person with monkeypox
- Using clothing, bedding, or towels used by a person with monkeypox
- A pregnant woman can spread the virus to her fetus

You may experience all or only a few symptoms. Sometimes, people have flu-like symptoms before the rash. Some people have a rash first, then other symptoms. Others only have a rash.

WHAT DOES MONKEYPOX LOOK LIKE?

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