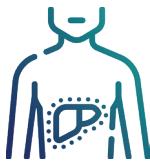


# Protect Your Family with hepatitis B testing

Hepatitis B can cause serious health problems:



- ✓ Liver damage
- ✓ Liver cancer



- ✓ Hospitalization
- ✓ Death



Hepatitis B is an infection of the liver caused by the hepatitis B virus.

Many people who get a hepatitis B infection will have it for their entire lives



It is very common in many parts of the world, including Africa and Asia.



Many people get hepatitis B when they are babies or children.



People are getting tested for hepatitis B regardless of whether they feel sick because it makes our communities safer.

Knowing whether you have hepatitis B is the first step to protecting yourself and your family.

It's important to get tested for hepatitis B, so that if you are infected you can:



Get medical care to prevent complications from the virus



Avoid spreading hepatitis B to others



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Anyone can get tested for hepatitis B, including adults, children and babies.

All adults should get a blood test at least once in their life to check for hepatitis B. Some people should be tested more often, such as:



Pregnant women



Infants with a parent who has the hepatitis B virus



People who share a household with someone who has hepatitis B



Testing for hepatitis B is easy.

It is a simple test that takes only a little bit of blood from your arm.

Vaccines are available.

If you do not have hepatitis B, you can get vaccines that will protect you.

If you do have hepatitis B, the best way to keep loved ones safe is to make sure they get hepatitis B vaccines.



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