

MONKEYPOX

FAQ

WHAT IS MONKEYPOX?

It is a viral infection that was first identified in the 1950's.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

A rash that can look like pimples or blisters. The rash often starts on the face and spreads, however, the rash may just appear around the genitals.

HOW DOES IT SPREAD?

Monkeypox spreads from skin to skin contact and from contaminated clothing or bedding. It can be spread through respiratory droplets, however, it is much more difficult to transmit it in this way.

WHO IS AFFECTED BY MONKEYPOX?

Currently, most of those infected have been men who have sex with men. There are also cases of household transmission.

HOW LONG DOES MONKEYPOX LAST?

Typically it lasts for 2 to 4 weeks.

WHO CAN GET A VACCINE?

People who have close, intimate contact with someone who tested positive for Monkeypox or men 18 years or older who have had sex with multiple or anonymous partners in the past 14 days.

HOW DO I GET MORE INFORMATION OR SIGN UP FOR A VACCINE?

Dallas County Hotline at
(972) 692-2780

HOW DO I KNOW IF I HAVE IT?

Contact your doctor for testing and treatment.

WHAT IF I AM INFECTED?

Patients should isolate until all of the lesions have scabbed and fallen off and a new layer of intact skin has formed.

