

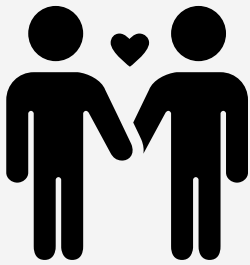
WHAT IS MPOX?



Mpox is a rare disease caused by the monkeypox virus. Mpox is part of the same family of viruses that causes smallpox. Currently, a new mpox type is circulating in Central Africa. No cases of the new mpox type have been reported in the U.S. at this time.

❖ Mpox can spread to anyone by close, personal, or skin-to-skin contact, including:

- Direct contact with mpox rash, sores or scabs.
- Contact with objects, fabrics (clothing, bedding, or towels), and surfaces used by someone with mpox.
- Through respiratory droplets or bodily fluids from a person with mpox.



❖ This contact can happen during close, skin-to-skin contact including:

- Oral, anal, and vaginal sex
- Hugging, massage, or bodily contact
- Kissing and talking closely

What Are the Symptoms?

❖ Early flu-like symptoms can include:



Fever



Headache



Muscle Aches
& Backache



Exhaustion



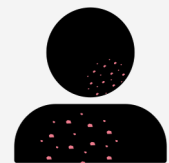
Chills



Swollen Lymph
Nodes

❖ A rash or sores can sometimes be located:

- On feet, chest or face.
- On or near the genitals or anus.
- Inside the body - mouth, vagina, or anus.



❖ Some people experience a rash or sores first, followed by other symptoms, some only experience a rash or sores; sores will go through several stages before healing.

❖ Mpox can spread from the time symptoms start until all sores have healed and a new layer of skin has formed - this can take several weeks.

**If you think you have mpox or were exposed,
please contact a health care provider near you.**