# Get tested for Hepatitis B

Hepatitis B is a virus that attacks the liver. Hepatitis B can cause liver cancer, but there are treatments that can help keep your liver healthy.

People with hepatitis B usually do not have symptoms, but they can pass the disease to others.

There is a safe and effective vaccine that can prevent hepatitis B.

## Hepatitis B is spread from:

- Mother to baby during childbirth
- Coming in contact with blood from a person with hepatitis B
- Sexual contact
- Sharing personal care items like a razor, toothbrush, or nail clippers

## Hepatitis B is NOT spread by:

- Sharing food or eating utensils
- Casual contact like hugging, kissing or holding hands
- Water or air

## Who should be tested for hepatitis B:

- Pregnant women
- People who live with someone who has hepatitis B
- People born in areas where hepatitis B is more common, such as Africa or Asia
- People whose parents are from an area where hepatitis B is common, such as Africa or Asia

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