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Hepatitis A Vaccination Clinic for Restaurant Workers

In consideration of the risk for persons becoming ill with hepatitis A, the number of new restaurant workers, and recent restaurant surveillance results, the Cayuga County Health Department is offering a hepatitis A vaccine clinic for restaurant employees.

The clinic for restaurant workers will be held on Monday, May 23, 2022 from 10:00 am – 3:30 pm at the Cayuga County Health Department located at 8 Dill Street in Auburn. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins will be accepted. Call 315-253-1560 to make an appointment. Insurance is NOT required. There will be NO out-of-pocket cost.

WHAT IS HEPATITIS?

- Hepatitis A is a contagious liver infection caused by the hepatitis A virus (HAV).

HOW DO PEOPLE GET HEPATITIS A?

- Hepatitis A virus is in the stool (feces) of people with hepatitis infection. It enters the body through the mouth after someone handles something contaminated with hepatitis virus, or eats or drinks something contaminated with hepatitis virus.

WHO IS AT RISK FOR INFECTION?

- People usually get Hepatitis A by having close contact with a person who is infected, from food or drinks prepared by someone who is infected, or by eating shellfish harvested from sewage-contaminated water.
- Food-borne outbreaks occur sporadically throughout the USA.

HOW IS HEPATITIS A INFECTION PREVENTED?

- Anyone who is not immune to hepatitis A can get hepatitis A infection. The best way to prevent hepatitis A infection is to get vaccinated.
- Good personal hygiene and proper sanitation help prevent the spread of the hepatitis A virus. Always wash your hands with soap and water after using the bathroom, changing a diaper and before preparing, serving or eating food.

ALCOHOL-BASED HAND SANITIZERS DO NOT KILL THE HEPATITIS A VIRUS.
