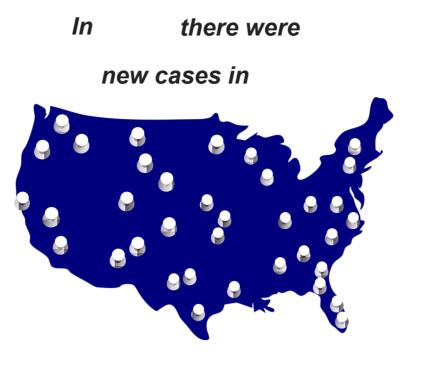
# HEPATITIS B WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

In recent years, more people are becoming newly infected with hepatitis B,

a disease that affects the liver and can cause health complications



These rising infections of hep B are

tied to the U.S. opioid epidemic

a % increase from

HEPATITIS B CAN BE MORE DANGEROUS

# **HEPATITIS C**

### WHAT IS HEPATITIS B?

Hepatitis B is a **virus that attacks the liver**. Infections can be newer and short-lived (acute) or lifelong (chronic).

If left undiagnosed, a chronic infection can lead to scarring of the liver (cirrhosis) or even liver cancer over time.

## **COULD YOU BE INFECTED?**

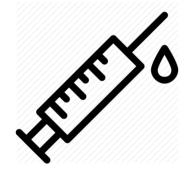
MOST PEOPLE DON'T HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS



A SIMPLE BLOOD TEST

CAN TELL IF YOU ARE INFECTED

#### WHO IS AT RISK?

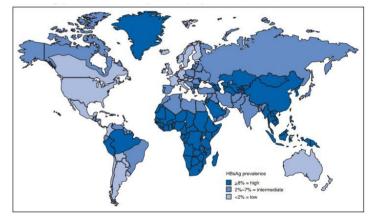


People who share needles, inject drugs, or come into contact with blood



People with many sexual partners

Men who have sex with men



People from the darkest regions on the map - where hepatitis B is more common

#### **IF YOU ARE AT RISK:**

### **IF YOU ARE INFECTED:**



Ask your doctor to test you for hep B, and about getting the hep B vaccine if you're not infected

Managing your hepatitis B is important!

### TRY TO SEE A LIVER SPECIALIST EVERY 6 MONTHS TO CHECK UP ON THE VIRUS & PREVENT LIVER DAMAGE

#### THE VACCINE CAN PROTECT YOU FOR LIFE AGAINST HEP B!



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