

HEPATITIS B VACCINE FACT SHEET

Hepatitis B is spread when blood or certain body fluids from an infected person get into the body of a person who is not infected. This can happen by getting stuck with a used needle, blood splashing into a person's eyes, nose or mouth, or by having sexual contact with someone who has Hepatitis B.

The Hepatitis B virus has been found to survive for more than a week in dried blood. This means artists can still be exposed to the virus long after an infected person has left the shop if shop counters, chairs, or equipment are not properly disinfected.

Symptoms of Hepatitis B may not show up for several months after a person has been infected and only 70% of people who are infected have symptoms. This means a person could be infected, but still look and feel healthy. People who do not show symptoms can still spread the virus and may eventually develop liver cancer or liver failure. Hepatitis B can also cause life-long infection, cirrhosis (scarring) of the liver, and death.

The Hepatitis B vaccine is the best protection against the virus and involves a series of three shots. The Marion County Public Health Department operates five immunization clinics, which offer the Hepatitis B vaccine at a reduced cost. It is encouraged that anyone with a reasonably anticipated risk gets vaccinated to protect themselves and their customers.

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS & HOURS

LOCATION	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEADOWS CLINIC 3901 Meadows Dr. (317) 221-2379		8AM – 12PM			12PM – 4PM Appt needed
NORTHWEST OFFICE 6940 N. Michigan Rd. (317) 221-7500	3PM – 6PM Appt needed	8AM – 4PM		12PM – 4PM	12PM – 4PM Appt needed
NORTHEAST OFFICE 6042 E. 21 st St. (317) 221-7300	8AM – 4PM Appt needed	12PM – 4PM	3PM – 6PM Appt needed	8AM – 4PM	8AM – 12PM Appt needed
SOUTH OFFICE 505 E. National Ave (317) 221-5700	8AM – 4PM	3PM – 6PM Appt needed	12PM – 4PM Appt needed	8AM – 12PM	8AM – 4PM Appt needed
EAGLEDALE PLAZA 2802 Lafayette Rd, #5 (317) 221-3441	8AM – 12PM Appt needed	12PM – 4PM Appt needed	8AM – 4PM		8AM – 12PM
STOP 11 CLINIC 2532 E. Stop 11 Rd. (317) 883-3165		8AM – 12PM Appt needed		8AM – 12PM Appt needed	

For more information, contact the clinic at the phone number listed above or contact the Marion County Public Health Department's Immunization Program at (317) 221-2122.