

## A message from the NH Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

### NH Hepatitis A Outbreak

- **Cases of hepatitis A are on the rise in NH**
  - Between November 1, 2018 and March 26, 2019, there have been 61 cases of hepatitis A reported in NH
  - This is significantly increased compared to an average of 6-7 cases per year in previous years
  - Hepatitis A cases have been seen more frequently among the homeless and those with substance use disorder
- **DHHS would like NHPA members to be aware of the outbreak and to promote hepatitis A vaccination**
  - Especially promote the vaccine for people who are experiencing homelessness or those with substance use disorder
- **Pharmacies (especially those in highest risk areas [e.g. larger population centers]) can receive state-supplied vaccine to use to vaccinate uninsured individuals**
  - To receive more information or to enroll for state-supplied vaccine, please contact the NH Immunization Program at 603-271-4482

#### For additional information and resources please visit:

- The NH Hepatitis A Outbreak Webpage: <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/hepatitisa/hepa-nh.htm>
- CDC Hep A Outbreak Infographic: <https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/outbreaks/pdfs/Infographic-HepAOutbreak.pdf>
- Hepatitis A Brochure: <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/hepatitisa/documents/hepa-brochure.pdf>
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