Hepatitis A is a very contagious liver disease that can cause jaundice (yellow skin or eyes), fatigue, severe stomach pain, nausea, and diarrhea, and it is on the rise among unvaccinated gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men. Hepatitis A can be spread when your mouth comes into contact with poop, even tiny amounts that you can’t see. This can happen during rimming, fisting, using sex toys, and other anal sex play.

**REDUCE RISK TO YOURSELF AND YOUR PARTNER**

**WASH!** Before and after sex, wash your hands, genitals, and anus with soap and water. Remember to clean sex toys that have been used during anal sex play before it goes in a mouth.

**USE PROTECTION!** Condoms, latex gloves, and finger condoms can reduce your risk of sexually transmitted infections. Practice safer rimming by using a barrier, like a dental dam or plastic wrap, between the mouth and anus.

**GET VACCINATED!** Hepatitis A can be prevented by a safe and effective vaccine. Make an appointment with your healthcare provider if you haven’t been vaccinated for hepatitis A.

Call 215-685-6740 if you need help getting hepatitis A vaccine.
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