

## A MINUTE OF HEALTH WITH CDC

## Get Your Hep A Vaccine

Hepatitis A Vaccination Coverage Among Children Aged 12–23 Years — United States, 2006–2009

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Hepatitis A is a contagious disease of the liver that can last from a few weeks to six months. You can get it by consuming contaminated food or water or coming in contact with a person who has the infection. Since the development of a vaccine, the number of cases has decreased, but in the U.S., the risk of hepatitis A remains. The vaccine is recommended for all children aged 12 to 23 months, high risk groups, and anyone who wants protection. Two doses are required.

Check your vaccination records or ask your healthcare provider to ensure your child has been appropriately vaccinated against hepatitis A.

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