



Estimated 10,000
potentially
exposed to
Hepatitis A virus at
Illinois McDonald's



If infected, you may
spread the virus to
others for 30 days
before you get sick



Diners at the Illinois fast-food outlet from early June to July 13 may have been exposed to a virus that can cause liver disease

20 people have been diagnosed with Hepatitis A Virus, 11 of whom have required hospitalization after at least one food handler at a Milan, Illinois McDonald's was diagnosed with the illness. The foodhandler was diagnosed with the virus in mid-June, although

information was just released publicly on July 17.

Another infected Milan McDonald's employee came to work on seven days in July, possibly spreading the virus to patrons. It isn't clear when health officials or McDonald's learned about the second worker.

In a related incident, a staff member at a local preschool has a confirmed case of Hepatitis A. As a result, all children who attend the school have been vaccinated.

- Handwashing can reduce the chance of passing Hepatitis A to patrons.
- Don't work when ill to reduce the chance of passing on foodborne pathogens.
- Hepatitis A can be transferred to ready-to-eat foods by dirty hands.