

## Hepatitis B

- Incubation
  - . 6 to 23 weeks
  - . Average 17 weeks
- How is it Spread?
  - . Contact with infected blood
  - . Contact with infected seminal/vaginal fluids
  - . Contaminated needles, including tattoo and body-piercing tools
  - . Infected mother to newborn
- Symptoms
  - . May have none
  - . Light stools/dark urine
  - . Fatigue
  - . Fever
  - . Mild flu-like symptoms
- Treatment
  - . Adefovir
- Who is at Risk?
  - . Infants born to infected mother
  - . Having sex with infected partner
  - . Injection drug users
  - . Emergency responders & healthcare workers
  - . Hemodialysis patients
- Prevention
  - . Immune globulin within 2 weeks of exposure
  - . Vaccination
  - . Wearing gloves to clean up contaminated surfaces
  - . Household bleach (10 parts water to 1 part bleach)
  - . Safer sexual practices
  - . Do not share razors, toothbrushes or needles
- Vaccine
  - . Yes