

# Hepatitis B Vaccine Information

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**Hepatitis B is a viral infection which affects the liver, in some cases causing serious, long term liver problems.**

Hepatitis B can be passed on through sexual contact, contact with blood and body fluids, and from mother to baby.

Vaccination is recommended for:

- Men who have sex with men
- People who inject drugs and their sexual partners
- People who change sexual partners frequently
- People from countries with a higher background rate of Hepatitis B (all countries EXCEPT countries in north and central Europe, USA, Australia, and New Zealand)
- People who have sexual partners from countries with a higher background rate of Hepatitis B

Hepatitis B Vaccination is provided free by the NHS.

The vaccination course usually consists of 3 or 4 injections, usually with the first 3 given a month apart. If you would like to be vaccinated, please contact reception to arrange a call back to discuss this further on 0800 0556442.

Follow this link for more information about Hepatitis B immunisation:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/hepatitis-b-vaccine/>

