Understanding Hepatitis

Hepatitis impacts millions of people every year—but it doesn’t have to. When it comes to viruses, knowledge and prevention are your best defense. Learn how you could get infected, tested and treated, and together we can act now to reduce disease prevalence.

The 5 Main Types of Viruses

- **A**: Easily preventable with vaccine
- **B**: Curable
- **C**: Treatable but no cure
- **D**: Typically clears without treatment
- **E**: Note: You can only contract hepatitis D if you’re infected with or have had hepatitis B.

How Do You Get Infected?

- Ingesting contaminated food or water: A, E
- Spreading through bodily fluids: B, C, D
- Can result in chronic disease

Who Is Infected?

- 325 million people are living with viral hepatitis B & C
- 2.85 million people became newly infected in 2017
- 80% of people living with hepatitis lack access to prevention, testing and treatment

Get Tested!

It’s the only way to know if you’re infected

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