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Monkeypox Vaccine Available in Cayuga County

The Cayuga County Health Department received doses of the Monkey Pox vaccine (JYNNEOS) and East Hill Medical Center has agreed to provide the vaccine to those in need. To schedule your appointment please call East Hill Medical Center at 315-612-3440.

JYNNEOS is a 2-dose vaccine, with the second dose being given four weeks after the first dose. The vaccine is free and available to anyone who has been exposed or who might be exposed in the future. While insurance may be billed, there is no charge to the individual.

What is Monkeypox?

- Monkeypox is a rare disease caused by infection with the monkeypox virus
- Monkeypox virus is part of the same family of the virus that causes smallpox
- Monkeypox typically causes mild illness, but some cases can be severe enough to result in hospitalization and/or death

What are the symptoms?

The illness typically lasts 2-4 weeks. Some or all of the following symptoms may be present:

- Rash / pimple-like pustules / scabs
 - May be located near genitals, anus
 - May also be located on hands, mouth, feet, torso
- Fever, Chills, Body Aches
- Swollen lymph nodes
- Exhaustion, Fatigue
- Headache

How can I protect myself?

Monkeypox can spread to anyone through close, personal, skin-to-skin contact

- Avoid close, skin-to-skin contact with people who have a rash that looks like monkeypox
 - Do not touch rash or scabs
 - Do not kiss, hug, cuddle, or have sex with someone with monkeypox
- Avoid contact with objects and materials that an infected person used
 - Do not share eating utensils / cups / bottles
 - Do not touch bedding, towels, or clothing of an infected person
- Wash your hands often
 - Especially before touching your face and after you use the bathroom

Learn More

For more information:

<https://health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/zoonoses/monkeypox/> or
<https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/monkeypox/index.html>
