

Hepatitis B

Carer Information

What is it?

Hepatitis B a viral infection.

It attacks the liver and can cause both chronic and acute disease.

It is spread through contact with blood or other body fluids of someone who is infected

What are the symptoms?

Flu-like symptoms, including tiredness, a fever, and general aches and pains, loss of appetite, feeling and being sick, diarrhoea, Abdominal (Stomach) pain, yellowing of the skin and eyes (jaundice).

How to protect yourself

Infection Control - such as handwashing and disposal of waste. Follow infection control policies.

Use protective Equipment – such as gloves and aprons and appropriate disposal of waste

Vaccination – Please follow public health guidance

Information Sourced From:

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

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hepatitis-b-guidance-data-and-analysis>