

WHAT GAY & BISEXUAL MEN NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MONKEYPOX

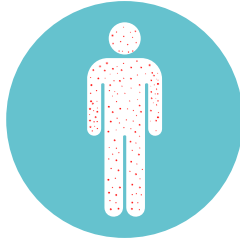
So far, cases of Monkeypox have been detected among gay and bisexual men but **not exclusively**

WHAT IS MONKEYPOX?

Monkeypox is a viral infection transmitted through close personal contact, including kissing, sex and other skin-to-skin contact.

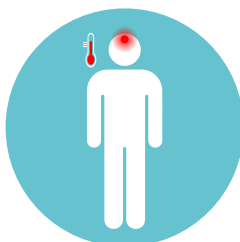
WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

KEY SYMPTOM

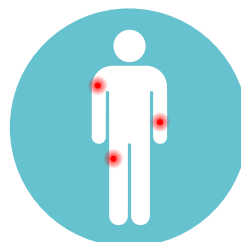


RASHES, BUMPS OR BLISTERS
These may appear anywhere on the body, including the genitals. This may look similar to syphilis, herpes or other common skin rashes.

OTHER SYMPTOMS



FEVER & HEADACHE



MUSCLE ACHES



SWOLLEN LYMPH NODES

Symptom onset ranges from 5-21 days

WHAT YOU CAN DO



STAY INFORMED

Remain calm. This is a rapidly changing situation. Visit CDC or DHSS websites for up-to-date guidelines.



CONTACT

If you have symptoms, call (do not visit) your health care provider, and ask about testing.



TAKE A BREAK

If you have symptoms, stay at home, wear a mask when in public and cover sores to protect others.



ANYONE CAN GET MONKEYPOX

Blaming any one community may harm public health efforts and cause providers to miss monkeypox in other people.



Get the latest updates at

[Health.Mo.Gov/monkeypox](https://www.health.mo.gov/monkeypox)

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