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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Hepatitis A exposure**

If you have recently travelled to South Carolina and have eaten or attended a wedding at the Harbour Town Yacht Club in Sea Pines on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup> please contact the Livingston County Department of Health at 585/243/7270. There is a possibility of exposure to Hepatitis A. The health department is able to provide vaccine free of charge for those people who may have been exposed.

Hepatitis A is a contagious liver disease that results from infection with the Hepatitis A virus. It can range in severity from a mild illness lasting a few weeks to a severe illness lasting several months. Hepatitis A is usually spread when a person ingests fecal matter, even in microscopic amounts, from contact with objects, food, or drinks contaminated by the feces or stool of an infected person. Signs and symptoms can include the following:

- Fatigue
- Loss of appetite
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Abdominal discomfort
- Dark urine
- Clay-colored bowel movement
- Jaundice (yellowing of the skin or eyes)
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Signs and symptoms usually appear 2-4 weeks after exposure. Children under 6 years of age with hepatitis A often do not have or show few signs and symptoms. People exposed to the hepatitis A virus should receive either Hepatitis A vaccine or immune globulin if exposure occurred within the past 14 days. Those who have had Hepatitis A disease or previously received 2 doses of the hepatitis A vaccine do not need to be immunized for Hepatitis A again. For more information, please call 585-243-7270 or visit [www.livingstoncounty.us/doh.htm](http://www.livingstoncounty.us/doh.htm).

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