

Monkeypox Vaccines in Kentucky



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Distribution of the monkeypox vaccine remains low to Kentucky due to the low number of cases of monkeypox in the state. The Kentucky Department for Public Health shares and appreciates the need and concern for expanded access. We are working to increase vaccination locations as quickly as supplies allow.

Who can get vaccinated?

- Anyone who reports any of the following:
 - Close contact to someone with known or suspected monkeypox virus (direct skin-to-skin contact or other close contact)
 - Diagnosis of HIV
 - Diagnosis of chlamydia, gonorrhea or early syphilis, within the prior 12 months.
 - Receiving medications to prevent HIV infection (PrEP)
 - Exchanging sex for money or nonmonetary items
 - Attending an event/venue where there was a high risk of exposure to an individual(s) with monkeypox virus through skin-to-skin or sexual contact
- Gay, bisexual or other men who have sex with men or transgender people who are sexually active
- Laboratory workers who routinely perform monkeypox or orthopox virus testing
- Healthcare professionals who have had high-risk occupational exposure without using recommended personal protective equipment in the past 14 days
- Individuals who, on a case-by-case basis, are determined at high risk for contracting monkeypox

This guidance will be updated as eligibility changes.



If you think you may be eligible to receive a monkeypox vaccine, please reach out to the following locations to schedule an appointment: [Monkeypox Vaccination Locations](#).

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General Public Monkeypox Hotline: (844)520-6670

