



Mpox Vaccines in Kentucky

Individuals from the following groups are at increased risk for mpox and are strongly recommended to receive the mpox (JYNNEOS) vaccine:

- Anyone who reports any of the following:
 - Close contact to someone with known or suspected mpox virus (direct skin-to-skin contact or other close contact)
 - Diagnosis of HIV
 - Diagnosis of chlamydia, gonorrhea or syphilis, within the prior 12 months
 - Individuals eligible for or currently taking medications to prevent HIV-infection (PrEP)
 - Exchanging sex for money or non-monetary items
 - Attending an event/venue where there was a high risk of exposure to individual(s) with mpox virus through skin-to-skin or sexual contact
- Gay, bisexual, or other male to male sexual contact or transgender people who are sexually active
- Laboratory workers who routinely perform mpox 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 mpox

*This guidance may undergo revision as new information emerges.



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! TRAVEL ALERT !

If you are traveling to a country with a **clade 1 mpox outbreak**, the JYNNEOS vaccine is **recommended** for areas where you may be exposed to mpox without adequate personal protection.

It is **advised** to get your first dose of the **mpox vaccine** at **least 6 weeks** before traveling and get the **second dose** 4 weeks later. It takes about 2 weeks after the second dose to get the best **protection** against mpox.



JYNNEOS is a **2-dose vaccine** developed to protect against mpox. You need to get **both doses** of the vaccine for the best **protection**. The **second dose** should be given 4 weeks (28 days) after the first dose.

If you think you may be eligible to receive a mpox vaccine, please reach out to your health care provider or local health department.



To learn more about mpox, scan the QR code.