



Network Notification

Notice Date: April 12, 2019
To: Ohio Medicaid and MyCare Providers
From: CareSource®
Subject: Statewide Hepatitis A Outbreak Information

Summary

CareSource strives to keep you informed about the latest issues that may impact your patients and practice. Currently, Ohio is in the midst of a statewide outbreak of Hepatitis A. Since Jan. 5, 2018, there have been 1,931 cases of Hepatitis A identified in Ohio. Historically, Ohio has seen about 40 cases per year.

Impact

Hepatitis A is a vaccine-preventable illness. Vaccinating high-risk individuals, or those who have contact with high-risk individuals, is one way we can stop this outbreak. Our goal is to partner with you to remind patients to get the Hepatitis A vaccination and to make it easier to offer it.

Importance

CareSource would like to remind our providers that our Medicaid and MyCare plans **do not** require a prior authorization for the Hepatitis A vaccine. Identifying at-risk populations and taking the appropriate steps to ensure they are aware of the vaccine and post-exposure options is critical in stemming this outbreak.

Learn More

Please see the attached resources provided by the Ohio Department of Health for more details.

[Hepatitis A: Memo](#)

[Hepatitis A: General Information](#)

[Hepatitis A: Outbreak](#)

[Hepatitis A: How Does It Spread?](#)

[Hepatitis A: Information for Gay and Bisexual Men](#)

[Hepatitis A: Vaccine Availability](#)

[Hepatitis A: Disinfection Guidelines](#)

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