

# WHAT GAY & BISEXUAL MEN NEED TO KNOW ABOUT

# MONKEYPOX



Cases 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



### RASH, 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 &  
HEADACHES



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 CDPH websites for up-to-date guidance.



### 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, and cover sores to protect others.

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## ANYONE CAN GET MONKEYPOX

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

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