HEPATITIS A OUTBREAK SAN DIEGO COUNTY

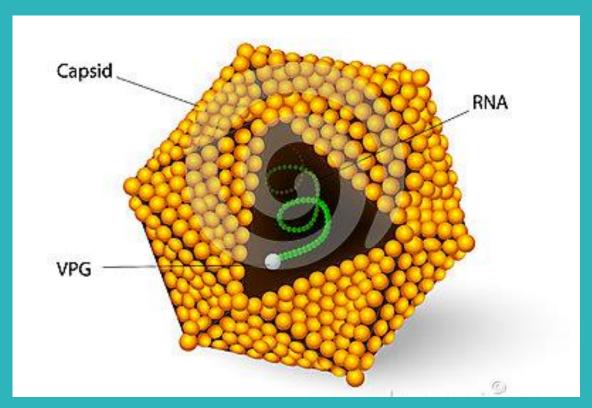
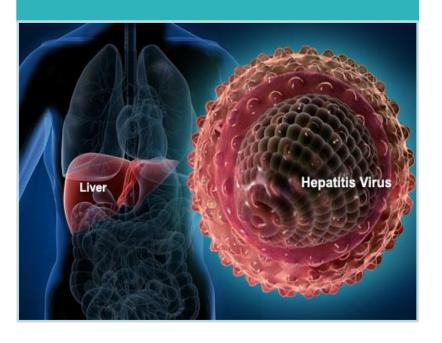


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Chula Vista City Council Meeting October 10, 2017 * 5PM



Caused by a virus



Hepatitis A can easily spread from person-to-person

Can cause liver disease lasting a few weeks to a serious illness lasting several months

Can cause death in some cases

HEPATITIS A VIRUS OVERVIEW





The virus can live outside the body for months, depending on the environmental conditions

Average incubation period for Hepatitis A infection is 28 days (range: 15–50 days)

An individual can be contagious up to two weeks before developing symptoms or 1 weeks after onset of symptoms

Adequate chlorination of water kills the virus that enters the water supply

Vaccination with the full, two-dose series is the best way to prevent infection

HEPATITIS A - SYMPTOMS











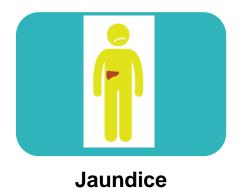


Fever

Fatigue

Nausea

Loss of Appetite









Stomach Pain

Vomiting

Dark Urine, Pale Stools and Diarrhea

HEPATITIS A – AT RISK

- Homeless*
- Intravenous and non-intravenous illicit drug users**
- Travelers to countries with high or intermediate endemicity of **HAV** infection
- Men who have sex with men
- People with chronic liver disease
- Persons with clotting factor disorders
- Persons working with nonhuman primates or laboratory research







⁼ Local Recommendation

^{# =} CDC Recommendation

VACCINATIONS ARE FURTHER RECOMMENDED FOR:



- Fire and Emergency Medical Services Agencies
- Food Handlers
- Healthcare Personnel
- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Local Businesses
- Service Providers
 - Homeless Providers
 - Substance Use Treatment Providers

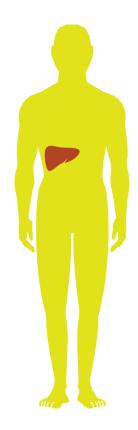
- Notifications have been sent out in May, July, and August.
- Letter specifically to Food Facilities
 Operator on 9/15/17.
- Repeat letters going out next week of 9/25.

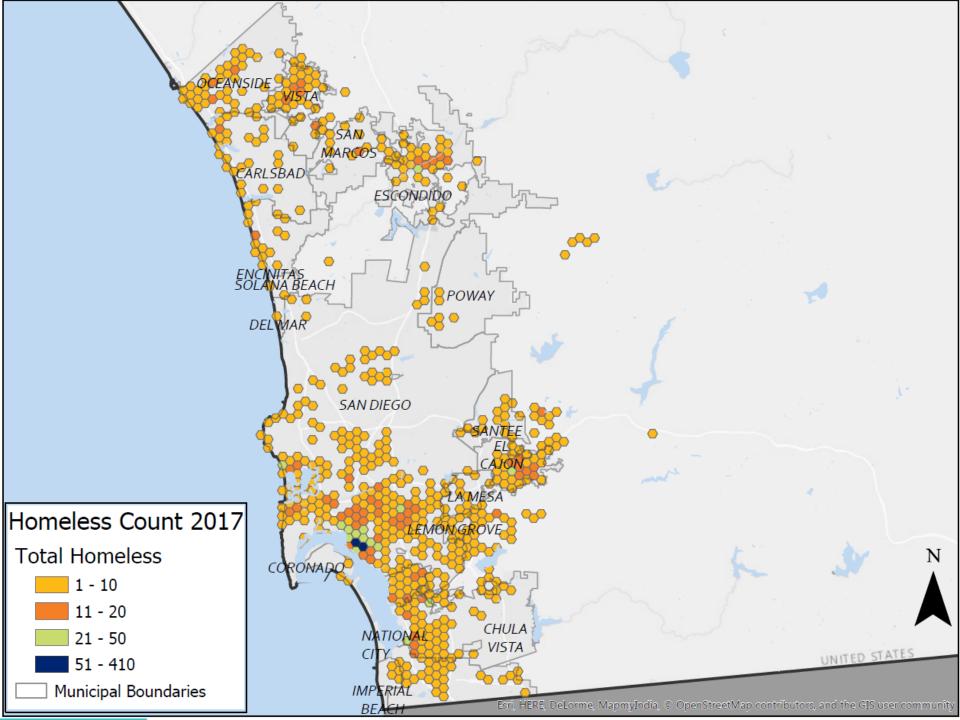
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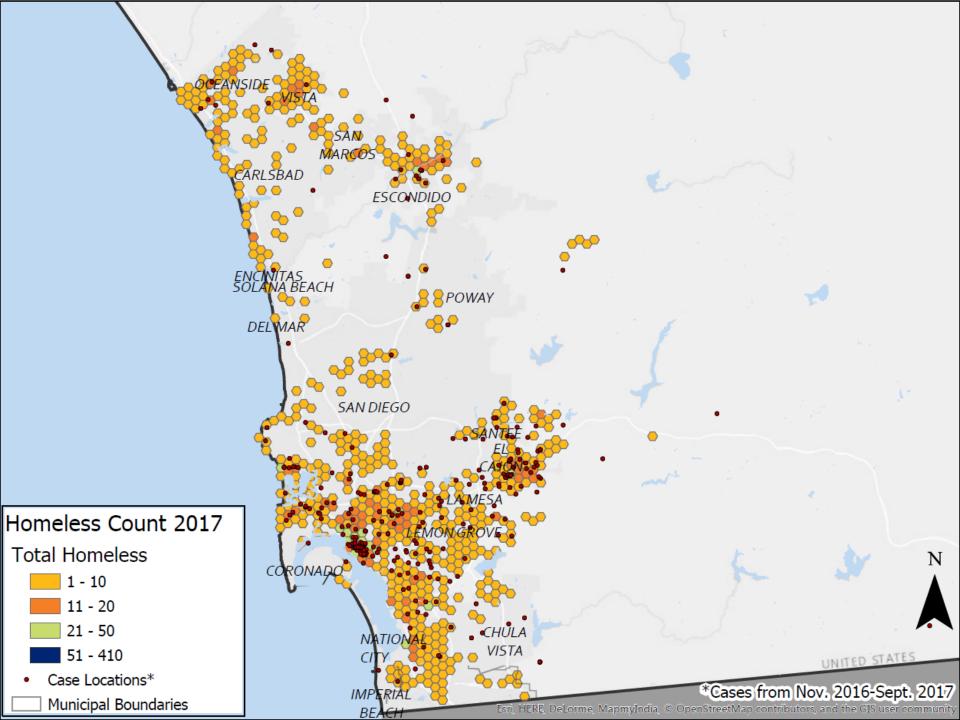




- 490 confirmed/probable outbreak cases
 - Onset dates from 11/22/16 through 9/26/17
 - **342 (70%) hospitalizations, 18 (3.7%) deaths**
 - 336 (69%) male (8 MSM), 154 (31%) female
 - Age range 5-87 (median 43)
- Suspected exposure type
 - 162 (33%) homeless and illicit drug use
 - 80 (16%) homeless only
 - 61 (12%) illicit drug use only
 - 128 (26%) neither
 - 59 (12%) unknown







VACCINATION EFFORTS





- Vaccines are administered to at-risk by:
 - County staff at:
 - <u>County clinics</u> (Public Health Centers, TB/STD clinics)
 - vaccination events, and
 - jails individuals; as well as
 - Field events that include mass vaccination clinics, "foot teams," and mobile vans.
 - Community partners at
 - Health care systems (Hospital EDs)
 - Federally-qualified Health Centers
 - Pharmacies





VACCINATE



- Over 68,445 total vaccines administered countywide, as of 10/07:
 - 21,588 given by County staff through field events (e.g., foot teams, mobile vans, and mass vaccination clinics), jails, Tuberculosis Clinic, the County Psychiatric Hospital, and Public Health Centers;
 - 36,142 provided by health care systems, federally qualified health centers, and pharmacists;
 - 751 vaccinations provided as post exposure prophylaxis; and
 - 10,812 vaccinations provided to food handlers and at-risk professionals.
 - Of the total vaccine administered, 53,869 (79%) are the population at-risk
- Implemented comprehensive strategies such as offering vaccinations to all jail inmates and at Emergency Departments, substance use disorder treatment programs, homeless service providers, and partnering with Homeless Outreach Teams.



Foot Team Vaccination Efforts

SANITIZE (HYGIENE)





- Department of Environmental Health (DEH)
 - Disinfection guidance for indoor areas
 - Food inspectors provided guidance information to operators during more than 8,265 inspections
- Public Health
 - 6,432 hygiene kits distributed as of 10/7
 - 99 handwashing stations placed as of 10/7



HAND WASHING STATIONS & HYGIENE KITS







Hygiene Kits: 6,432 as of 10/07/17
Contain water, non-alcohol hand sanitizer, cleaning wipes, clinic location information, plastic bags, and information card.



Hand Sanitizer Stations: 99 as of 10/07/17



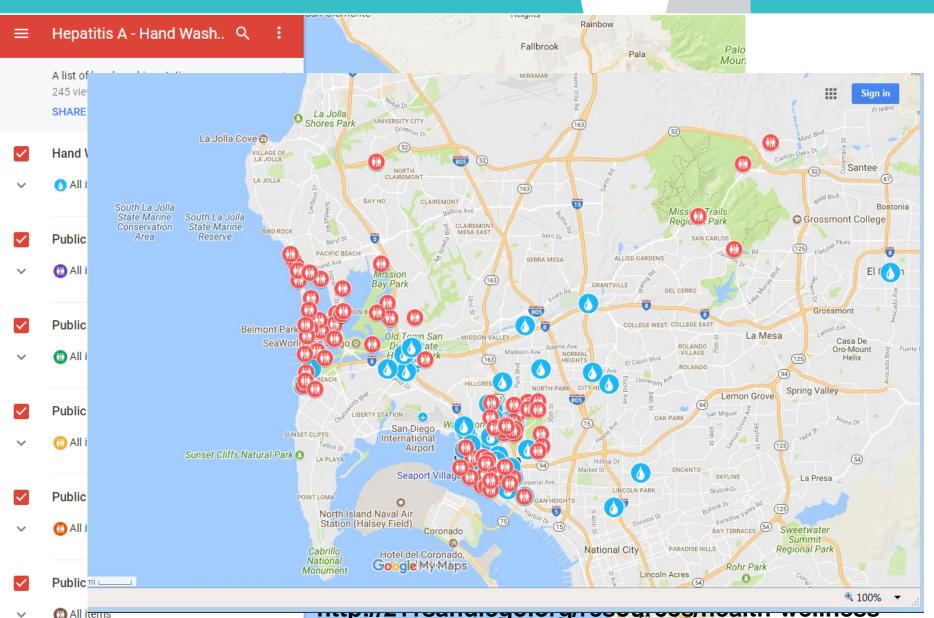
City contractor cleaning a street in downtown San Diego on 9/11 (Photo: San Diego Union Tribune)

MAP OF HANDWASHING STATIONS AND PUBLIC BATHROOMS ON 211 PAGE



Tijuana





EDUCATE



- 11 news stories, 2 press conferences
- 9 CA Health Alert Network (CAHAN) notifications about the outbreak
- Conducted meetings with city leadership of local jurisdictions
- Convened health care provider meeting 9/19, HASDIC 9/20 & 10/5
- Provided 118 presentations, as of 10/7
- Distributed flyers, posters, FAQs, and more: available on <u>webpage</u>



- Public ad campaign began in early August; posters placed in trolleys and bus stations and made available to partners. Modified on 9/1/17.
- Established 2-1-1 as public information source.

STRATEGIC APPROACHES – CITY REQUESTS



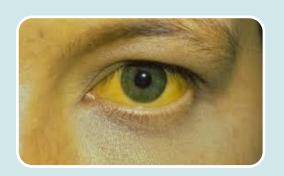
VACCINATION

SANITATION

EDUCATION







Support from law enforcement to have PH nurses to accompany on homeless outreach teams.

Vaccinate employees who have contact with at-risk populations.

Support indoor disinfection of bathrooms in municipality and business facilities.

Assist with identification of locations to place handwashing stations.

Increase access to pubic bathrooms & ensure proper sanitation.

Consider other options.

Dissemination of letters to stakeholders.

Distribution to educational materials.

Request presentation to educate employees about Hepatitis A.

Provide connections to specific stakeholders in municipality.

COMMUNICATION



WEEKLY TEMPLATES

- Can submit information via WebEOC
- Template in briefing notebook
- Submit by Friday, 12N weekly, as indicated

WEEKLY UPDATES

Hepatitis A outbreak
 weekly update will be
 posted on WebEOC and
 the County Hepatitis A
 webpage

FOR MORE INFORMATION



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