

## Hepatitis A scare at Amherst, New York Wegmans store

Over 1000 shoppers potentially exposed between January 7 and 26 through produce handler



Transmission of Hepatitis A happens through the fecal-oral route. Virus-containing poop remaining on hands after using the toilet is a risk.



### Shoppers at the supermarket may have been exposed to virus that can cause liver disease

Erie County (NY) Health Department warned shoppers that a produce handler at a Williamsville grocery store has been diagnosed with Hepatitis A and they're advising people who might have been exposed to get treatment.

Officials are asking anyone who handled or ate raw produce

purchased from the Wegmans on Sheridan Drive since January 7th to contact their doctor or get treated at free clinics.

**Produce shelves at the Wegmans store on Sheridan Drive are empty tonight after the store pulled all potentially contaminated products.**

Patrons who were potentially exposed to Hepatitis A complained afterward that they waited nearly three hours in line before getting the shots.

- Handwashing can reduce the chance of passing on Hepatitis A to patrons.
- Keep the poop (yours or others) off your hands
- You may pass the virus in your poop for over a month without knowing you have it.