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HIV and AIDS – Causes, Stages, Spread, and Treatment

HIV stands for **Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)**. HIV is a virus that causes the body to lose its power to fight off sicknesses. As it spreads, HIV turns into **Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)**. AIDS is the worst stage of HIV.

AIDS began to get a lot of attention in the 1980s. People did not understand the disease very well and those suffering from HIV were treated poorly. But over the years as people learned more about it, things began to change for the better.



HIV lowers the body's ability to fight infections.

What causes HIV/AIDS?

A virus is something that acts like a living thing and can cause serious illness and disease. A virus attacks a cell by making the cells it takes over make copies of the virus. These copies will then attack other cells.

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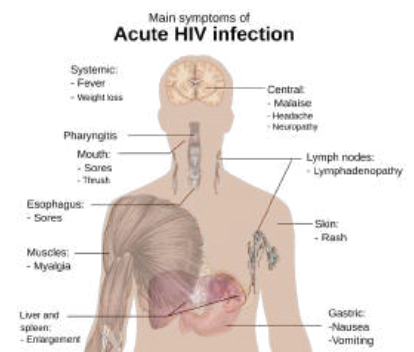


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Stages of an HIV infection

There are several stages to HIV infection:

- At first, some people may feel like they have the flu, while others may feel nothing at all.
- During the next stage, the virus hides for many years and continues to make copies of itself.
- The AIDS stage causes people to lose weight, and feel tired a lot. They also feel nauseated (sick to their stomach), and develop sores on their bodies. They can also have headaches and diarrhea for more than a week.



HIV affects many parts of the body.

How it is spread and how to prevent the disease

HIV is spread when a person comes into contact with bodily fluids (e.g. blood, semen, breastmilk) from an infected person. HIV is not spread by touching, tears, or saliva (spit). Hugging, sharing glasses, or kissing a person who has HIV will not spread the virus. However, for an infected individual, sharing needles, giving a blood transfusion, having unprotected sexual intercourse, and even pregnancy, childbirth, and breastfeeding are ways that the virus can be spread.

You can keep yourself from getting HIV by:

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Treatment

People with AIDS take medicines that slow down the spread of the virus inside of their bodies. This helps them to live a life that is as normal as possible. There is still no cure for this disease.

Reading Comprehension Questions:

1. What is
2. Describe what causes HIV and how it spreads within the body.
3. Describe
4. What is the difference between HIV and AIDS?
5. List two
6. Why do patients with AIDS often get sick easily?
7. List two
8. How is
9. Give two ways that AIDS is NOT spread.

Extension Questions:

10. Research the life
11. Create an information poster about HIV/AIDS. It should provide information on how the virus is transmitted, how it is treated, and what happens to someone who is infected and why.
12. Has anyone

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