

HEPATITIS C

THERE'S NO VACCINE TO PREVENT IT

If you ever got a street or jail tattoo or piercing,

GET A HEPATITIS C TEST!

HEPATITIS C is a liver disease that can be fatal.

You can catch it by sharing needles and works used for drugs.

You can also catch it by sharing tools or ink used for tattoos.

SAFER TATTOOING

Licensed tattoo artists are required to follow specific safety guidelines and will only work on people 18 or older.

If you get a tattoo from someone who isn't licensed, make sure that they:

- use new, sterile needles and new ink.
- wear latex gloves and wash their hands before and after giving the tattoo.
- cover the tattoo with bandages.

Call 311 to learn how to get a free hepatitis C test.

TATTOO INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Peel off plastic cover.
2. Press firmly, face down, onto clean dry skin.
3. Carefully wet the back of tattoo with cloth or sponge.
4. Press for at least 30 seconds.
5. Slowly slide paper off tattoo. Ink will remain.
(to remove tattoo, use baby oil, rubbing alcohol or adhesive tape.)



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