

MONKEYPOX VIRUS

HOW DOES IT SPREAD?

Monkeypox spreads in different ways.
The virus can spread from person-to-person through:

- Direct contact with the infectious rash, scabs, or body fluids
- Respiratory secretions during prolonged, face-to-face contact, or during intimate physical contact, such as kissing, cuddling, or sex
- Touching items (such as clothing or linens) that previously touched the infectious rash or body fluids
- Pregnant people can spread the virus to their fetus through the placenta

Monkeypox can spread from the time symptoms start until the rash has fully healed and a fresh layer of skin has formed. The illness typically lasts 2-4 weeks. People who do not have monkeypox symptoms cannot spread the virus to others.

TAKE ACTION

Visit
oeeps.wv.gov/monkeypox
or SCAN to learn about
monkeypox prevention,
testing, and treatment.

