



MUMPS

WHAT IS MUMPS?

MUMPS IS A VIRAL DISEASE THAT CAUSES PAINFUL ENLARGEMENTS OF SALIVARY GLANDS AND PAROTID GLANDS LOCATED JUST BELOW THE FRONT OF THE EAR.

HOW IS MUMPS SPREAD?

MUMPS IS SPREAD BY DIRECT CONTACT WITH SALIVA AND DISCHARGES FROM THE NOSE AND THROAT OF INFECTED PERSON.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF MUMPS?

SYMPTOMS OF MUMPS INCLUDE FEVER, HEADACHE, MUSCLE ACHES, TIREDNESS AND LOSS OF APPETITE FOLLOWED BY SWELLING AND TENDERNESS OF GLANDS.

HOW SOON AFTER INFECTION DO SYMPTOMS OCCUR?

SYMPTOMS APPEAR FROM 12 TO 25 DAYS AFTER INFECTION.

WHEN AND FOR HOW LONG IS A PERSON ABLE TO SPREAD MUMPS?

MUMPS IS ABLE TO BE SPREAD THREE DAYS BEFORE TO NINE DAYS AFTER SYMPTOMS APPEAR.

DOES PAST INFECTION WITH MUMPS MAKE A PERSON IMMUNE?

YES. ONCE YOU HAVE HAD MUMPS YOU USUALLY CANNOT GET THE ILLNESS AGAIN.

WHAT IS THE TREATMENT FOR MUMPS?

THERE IS NO SPECIFIC TREATMENT FOR MUMPS, BUT MEDICATION IS GIVEN TO EASE PAIN.

HOW CAN MUMPS BE PREVENTED?

THE MUMPS VACCINE, WHICH IS CONTAINED IN THE MMR (MEASLES, MUMPS, AND RUBELLA) IMMUNIZATION, CAN PREVENT THE DISEASE.