

## **Sept. 28, 2015 UPDATE**

COLUMBIA, S.C. - The S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control today announced it has provided 4,965 vaccinations through its hepatitis A vaccine clinics in Spartanburg and Greenville. Vaccinations have been offered to individuals who might have been exposed to hepatitis A at two Hardee's restaurants located in Spartanburg County. The restaurants are located at 12209 Greenville Highway in Lyman and 1397 E. Main St. in Duncan.

Customers and staff who, as of today, worked or ate at the Lyman-area restaurant Sept. 14 and Sept. 15, 2015, should receive post-exposure treatment for hepatitis A. Since the treatment is effective only if given within 14 days of exposure, Sept. 29 will be the final day that DHEC will offer the vaccine. After Sept. 29, customers and staff should monitor for symptoms.

Customers and staff who ate at the restaurants between Aug. 31 and Sept. 13 are not likely to benefit from post-exposure treatment. Anyone who ate at these Hardee's restaurants between these dates should watch for symptoms of infection, such as nausea, vomiting, and jaundice, which is yellowing of the eyes and skin, that occur from 15 to 50 days after exposure to hepatitis A. Seek medical care if symptoms develop.

There are no additional confirmed cases of hepatitis A associated with this investigation.

Information resulting from this investigation will be provided as it is confirmed, and in accordance with state and federal law.

For more information about hepatitis A, visit [www.scdhec.gov/HepA](http://www.scdhec.gov/HepA).

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