

Monkeypox

Suspect case checklist: Outpatient providers

Please post in clinical workspace

Patient Precautions

- Have suspect patient wear a mask and cover any exposed skin lesions prior to arrival
- Do not place suspect patient in general waiting area
- Place suspect patient directly into a closed, single-person room with a dedicated toilet

Healthcare Personnel Precautions

- Prior to seeing a suspect patient, healthcare personnel should wear:
 - Gown
 - Gloves
 - eye protection
 - N95 or higher-level respirator mask
- Pregnant or immuno-compromised staff should avoid interacting with suspect patients

Patient History and Presentation

- Determine if, in the last 21 days, they have:
 - Had contact with anyone with a rash or confirmed/probable monkeypox
 - Had close in-person contact with any men who have sex with men
 - Traveled outside the US
 - Had contact with a dead or live wild animal or exotic pet endemic to Africa
- Examine patient for deep-seated and well-circumscribed [lesions](#), often with central umbilication
- Take a picture of the rash if possible

Testing and Support

- If the rash is characteristic or the patient meets any of the exposure criteria above and has symptoms of monkeypox, clinicians should promptly report any suspect cases who are Chicago residents to CDPH at the following link: <https://redcap.link/reportmpx>.
- Scan the code to the bottom right for job aids, pictures, one-pagers and more information about monkeypox.**

Specimen Shipment

(Collection Supplies Include)

- Ice packs for same day shipping
- Dry ice for overnight
- Biohazard bag
- Specimen cooler



<https://www.chicagohan.org/monkeypox>