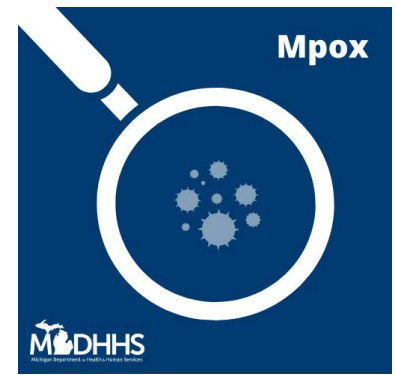


# When Am I Protected After Getting the Mpox Vaccine?



The mpox vaccine is very effective, but it takes time to provide the best protection.

Good Protection	2-3 weeks after the first dose
Better Protection	3-4+ weeks after the first dose
Best Protection	2 weeks after the second dose

It might take longer for people living with HIV or those with weakened immune systems to have the best protection.

## Continue to protect yourself from mpox after vaccination:

- Limit close personal contact (including sexual contact) with people and avoid close personal contact with individuals who have symptoms, including fever and rash. Close personal contact is not limited to sexual contact. Other examples include:
  - Skin-to-skin contact, including kissing and cuddling.
  - Touching contaminated clothing, towels and bed linens.
  - Sharing drinks and utensils.
- Talk about mpox risk with close contacts and partners.
  - Ask questions like "Are you experiencing any mpox symptoms (bumps, rash, feeling unwell)?"
- Wash hands frequently or use an alcohol-based sanitizer, especially before eating or touching your face and after using the bathroom.

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