

## **Hepatitis E**

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### **Summary**

Beginning in late 1990s, locally acquired hepatitis E cases were reported in the developed world. The prevalence of an antibody against hepatitis E virus (HEV) is high among persons with close contact with pigs, suggesting possible animal-to-human transmission. A number of well-conducted investigations linked hepatitis E to consumption of undercooked pork, undercooked wild boar meat, undercooked pig and boar liver, and undercooked venison. Proper cooking practice and food hygiene will reduce the risk of HEV infection.

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