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ACUTE HEPATITIS B ALERT FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

Moore County Health Department has identified a significant increase in the number of confirmed Acute Hepatitis B cases among young adults in Moore County.

In 2014 Moore County had 2 confirmed Acute Hepatitis B cases. In just the first quarter of 2015 we have seen 5 cases of Acute Hepatitis B, 2 of which were co-infected with Hepatitis C.

The current cases are primarily among young adults injecting the prescription drug OPANA. Most of these cases have been reported during a three month period between January and March of 2015.

Please remember that all cases of Hepatitis need to be reported to the Moore County Health Department. For additional information, please contact Kim Duffy, Communicable Disease Nurse, Moore County Health Department, at 947- 4526.

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