

## Rotavirus

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### What is Rotavirus?

Rotavirus is a contagious virus that causes gastroenteritis – inflammation of the stomach and intestines. Rotavirus a leading cause of diarrhea in infants and young children in the United States.

### Signs and Symptoms

Symptoms may appear 24-72 hours after exposure

- Fever
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Dizziness

If you have symptoms, call your healthcare provider

### Transmission (How it spreads)

- Fecal-oral route; contact with the vomit or stool of an infected person
- Indirectly through contaminated objects, food, or drink

### Diagnosis and Treatment

Testing of stool samples

Combating dehydration through fluid intake, and supportive therapy

### Prevention:

- Vaccination!
- Vaccination is recommended for infants and young children
- Practicing good hand hygiene.

### Who is at Risk?

Those who have not been vaccinated

If you have symptoms, call your healthcare provider

Report cases to the Riley County Health Department by calling the Disease Investigation  
Line: 785-317-0474