

gonorrhoea

a contagious inflammation of
the genital mucous membrane
caused by the gonococcus
bacteria - also called “the clap”

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Gonorrhea is a sexually transmitted infection (STI) caused by bacteria. These bacteria can grow and multiply in warm, moist areas like the genitals, mouth, throat, eyes and anus.

HOW DO YOU GET IT?

Gonorrhea is passed from person to person through sexual behavior or contact. Ejaculation does not have to occur for gonorrhea to be transmitted.

Gonorrhea can be cured with antibiotics. While antibiotics can stop infection, they can't repair damage that has already been done. It's important to get treatment as early as possible. For more information please visit:

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Most men with gonorrhea have no signs at all. Some men have signs that appear 2-5 days after infection, but signs can take as long as 30 days to appear. Signs include burning feeling when urinating, or a white, yellow or green discharge from the penis, or painful/swollen testicles.

Most women with gonorrhea show no signs. Even when a woman has signs, they can be so mild as to be mistaken for a bladder or vaginal infection. Signs include a painful or burning feeling when urinating, increased vaginal discharge or bleeding between periods. All women with gonorrhea are at risk of serious long-term problems, like chronic pain or infertility.