An Easy Way To Understand Herpes Mini Health Series

Herpes is a common viral infection that can affect the skin, genitals, or eyes. It is caused by the herpes simplex virus (HSV). There are two types of HSV: HSV-1 and HSV-2. HSV-1 typically causes oral herpes, while HSV-2 typically causes genital herpes.

Herpes is a lifelong infection, but it can be managed with medication. Treatment can help to reduce the frequency and severity of outbreaks.

The symptoms of herpes can vary depending on the type of virus and the location of the infection.



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Oral herpes

Cold sores

- Fever blisters
- Tingling or burning sensation around the mouth
- Swollen lymph nodes

Genital herpes

- Blisters or sores on the genitals, anus, or thighs
- Painful urination
- Itching or burning sensation
- Swollen lymph nodes

Eye herpes

- Painful, red, or watery eyes
- Blurred vision
- Sensitivity to light

Herpes is caused by the herpes simplex virus (HSV). HSV is a highly contagious virus that can be spread through contact with infected bodily fluids. HSV can be spread through:

- Kissing
- Oral sex
- Vaginal sex
- Anal sex

- Sharing sex toys
- Touching infected sores

HSV can be spread through contact with infected bodily fluids. This can happen during sexual contact, or through contact with infected sores. HSV can also be spread from a mother to her newborn baby during childbirth.

Herpes can be diagnosed with a physical exam and a blood test. The blood test can detect antibodies to HSV.

There is no cure for herpes, but it can be managed with medication.

Treatment can help to reduce the frequency and severity of outbreaks.

Antiviral medications are the most common treatment for herpes. These medications work by preventing the virus from multiplying. Antiviral medications can be taken orally or applied topically.

Other treatments for herpes include:

- Pain relievers
- Anti-itch creams
- Sitz baths
- Ice packs

There is no sure way to prevent herpes, but there are some things you can do to reduce your risk of infection.

Avoid contact with infected bodily fluids.

- Use condoms during sex.
- Do not share sex toys.
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Get vaccinated against HSV-1 and HSV-2.

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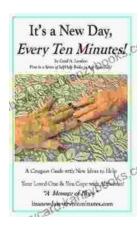


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