

TETANUS

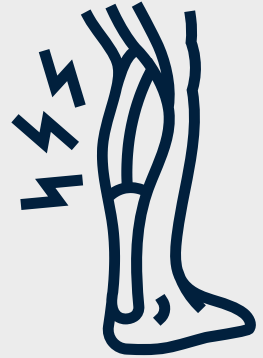
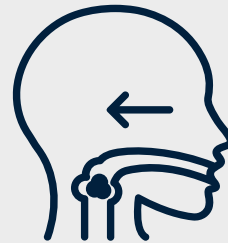
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Tetanus (lockjaw) is caused by the toxin producing bacterium *Clostridium tetani*. It attacks the nervous system.

Caused by bacteria in soil entering flesh via a wound from contaminated objects.

SYMPTOMS:

- Muscle spasms
- Fever
- Trouble swallowing
- Rapid heart rate
- Incontinence



YOU HAVE THE POWER TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND THE ONES YOU LOVE!

Immediate treatment with wound cleaning, medication and tetanus antitoxin injection.

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- Routine childhood immunization (DTaP)
 - 2, 4, 6, 12-23 months and 4-6 years
- Adolescent booster (Tdap)
 - at 11-12 years
- Adult booster (Tdap or Td)
 - every 10 years
- With every pregnancy



Kentucky residents can access a copy of their vaccination records utilizing the Kentucky Immunization Public Portal.

Scan the QR code or visit: chfs.ky.gov/KDPHMyVaxRecord

For more information visit: www.cdc.gov/tetanus



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