

DIPHTHERIA

Diphtheria is a serious contagious infection, **it can be life-threatening** if not treated.



IT CAN INFECT YOUR THROAT

Throat (respiratory) diphtheria

A toxin infection in the throat and is very serious.

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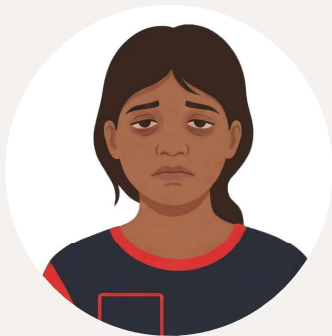


GIVE YOU SKIN INFECTIONS

Skin (cutaneous) diphtheria

Sores and ulcers that take a long time to heal.

SYMPTOMS INCLUDE:



- Sore Throat
- Fever and Chills
- Breathing Difficulty
- Nasal Discharge
- Fatigue
- Extreme Tiredness
- Grey coating in throat or over the sore

HOW IT SPREADS

Contaminated surfaces

like bedding, towels, clothes and other items in the house

Skin to skin contact

Coughing

Sneezing



HOW TO PREVENT



If you have symptoms or want to check whether your diphtheria vaccinations are up to date, visit your local Clinic or Hospital for advice and care.



Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze



Wash your hands often with soap and water



Keep cuts and wounds clean and cover them

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