

FDA: Chocolates, candies may be contaminated with hepatitis A

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(HealthDay)—A public health alert about possible hepatitis A

contamination in Modjeskas from Bauer's Candies was announced Thursday by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Consumers who bought the individually wrapped marshmallow candy dipped in chocolate or caramel after Nov. 14, 2018, should throw it away. The FDA says a worker at the Bauer's Candies facility in Kentucky tested positive for [hepatitis A](#).

The risk for hepatitis A transmission from the candy is low, but the FDA said that people who ate candies bought after Nov. 14 and have not been vaccinated for hepatitis A should see a [health care provider](#) to determine if they require postexposure prophylaxis (PEP). PEP may be recommended for unvaccinated people who have been exposed to hepatitis A virus in the last two weeks. Those who have been vaccinated against hepatitis A do not require PEP, the FDA said.

The agency said it is not aware of any cases of hepatitis A linked to the candies. The agency is working with the company on a voluntary recall of the candies and will release details as they become available.

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