

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE DIARRHEA?



Here's the poop

Your child's diarrhea might be caused by a germ called **SHIGELLA**.

SHIGELLA are bacteria that cause about

[500,000 cases]

of **DIARRHEA** in the United States each year.

Symptoms

Symptoms of **SHIGELLA** illness usually begin **1 to 2 days** after becoming infected with the germ, and can include:



Diarrhea
(sometimes bloody)



Fever



Stomachache

Protect your family & community!

SHIGELLA spreads very easily from one person to another!
Stop the spread of **SHIGELLA** by following these easy steps:



Everyone should wash hands

- Before preparing food or eating
- After using the toilet or changing diapers



Do NOT prepare food if you are ill
Do NOT share food with anyone if you or your family members are ill



Stay home from childcare and school while sick or until your health department says it's safe to return

Steps to get better



Drink fluids



Get rest



Talk to your doctor if you are still sick

Most people feel better in 5 – 7 days.



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Visit CDC's Shigella website for more information:
www.cdc.gov/shigella