In early June, the first case of monkeypox was identified in San Francisco, and as of June 22, 2022, a total of ten cases have been identified among SF residents. The current monkeypox outbreak is predominantly occurring among men who have sex with men (MSM) and trans people who have sex with men. This is believed to be related to transmission via close and/or intimate contacts within sexual and social networks. Monkeypox symptoms can mimic symptoms of common STIs including syphilis and herpes.

In response to increasing cases of monkeypox, the SFPDH released a health advisory that provides guidance for SF providers including:

- **Initial evaluation, testing, and specimen collection**
- Infection control precautions
- Post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) of exposed contacts using the Jynneos vaccine
- **Patient educational materials**

You can continue to find updated monkeypox guidance for SF providers at [www.sfepc.org/monkeypoxHCP](http://www.sfepc.org/monkeypoxHCP).