What is MRSA

MRSA -Methicillin-Resistant-Staphylocous-Aureus. Also Known As: "Hospital Superbug", Superbug,

MRSA is a preventable epidemic in the US and many other countries.

MRSA is not a reportable disease like the Whooping cough, H1N1 Flu, TB.

MRSA is a staph infection that is resistant to standard antibiotics.

MRSA is just one of the preventable infections that harm 1.7 million patients in hospitals each year

MRSA is just one of the preventable infections that kill nearly 100,000 patients in hospitals each year in the US.

MRSA is a preventable Hospital Acquired Infection (HAI) and it can also be contracted in the community.

MRSA is highly contagious.

You can get MRSA from a hug or a handshake, from hand rails and unclean surfaces in a gym. Athletes have contracted MRSA from artificial turf.

This potentially dangerous type of staph infection can appear as a simple skin infection, some say it looks like spider bite.

Without treatment this "soft tissue" infection can spread into the bloodstream and become life threatening.

MRSA also looks like the flu, if not treated quickly MRSA attack the lungs making it difficult to breath causing pneumonia that can lead to loss of limbs or loss of life.

If you have a fever, have recently received care from a hospital or medical facility, been in large crowd, believe that you have MRSA and are not getting the care you need, go to your local emergency room for care.

Nile Calvin Moss a 15 year old boy contracted MRSA from Children's Hospital of Orange County after receiving his annual series of tests. An MRI and council with physicians. Nile looked like he had the flu. He had a fever, a bad headache, and was coughing up chocolaty colored mucus.