Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Department offers HIV and viral hepatitis testing

KALAMAZOO, MI – The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issued a press release on June 11 encouraging patients of Dr. Roger D. Beyer, a physician that practices in Kalamazoo County, to discuss HIV and hepatitis testing with their healthcare provider if they have undergone anorectal manometry services provided by Beyer or his clinical practices. Bloodborne pathogens can cause disease with few or no symptoms, and blood tests are needed to determine if these pathogens are present.

The Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Department offers testing of HIV, hepatitis B and hepatitis C during the following clinic hours:

Monday, Tuesday*, Wednesday and Friday (except holidays)
8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; 12:00-1:00 p.m. closed

Thursday
10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; 1:00-2:00 p.m. closed

*Third Tuesday of the month hours are 1:00-3:30 p.m.

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs issued an administrative complaint against Beyer. A copy of that complaint can be found at https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/BEYER_Roger_D._M.D._657171_7.pdf The complaint alleges Beyer instructed his staff to reuse anorectal manometers on multiple patients, despite the devices being approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for only single-patient use. The complaint further alleges that anorectal manometers were cleaned inconsistently between patients.
MDHHS has not received any reports of disease associated with these practices. However, the reuse of anorectal manometers on multiple patients represents a risk of infectious disease transmission between patients.

If residents have questions regarding testing or clinic hours at the Health & Community Services Department, call 269-373-5267

For questions regarding MDHHS press release, call or email Lynn Sutfin at 517-241-2112 or SutfinL1@michigan.gov.

For more information about bloodborne pathogens visit Michigan.gov/hivstd.

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