

DERMATOPHYTOSIS

IS A DISEASE CAUSED FUNGUS, THAT CAN INFECT PEOPLE AND ANIMALS.

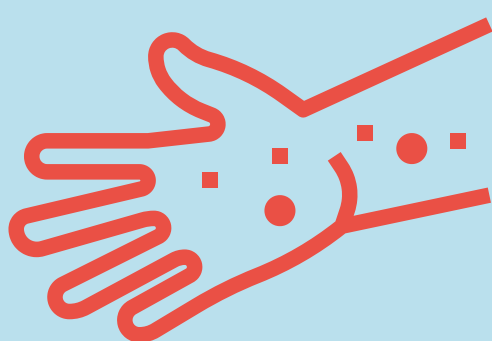
DID YOU KNOW?

QUICK FACTS

- Dermatophytosis is also called "ringworm" because it causes a **circular rash** that looks like a ring. But it has nothing to do with worms.
- **1 in 10 people** will get ringworm at some point in time in their life.

RISK FACTORS

- Living in warm, humid tropical areas
- Having close contact with people or animals (like dogs and cats) that have ringworm
- Not having good personal hygiene
- People with a weak immune system



WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

- Ring-shaped rash on the skin
- Hair loss on the affected area
- Red, dry, scaly or peeling skin
- Itchiness

HOW IS IT TREATED?

If you are worried you or a member of your family has ringworm talk to your doctor to get a special medicine that will kill the fungus.



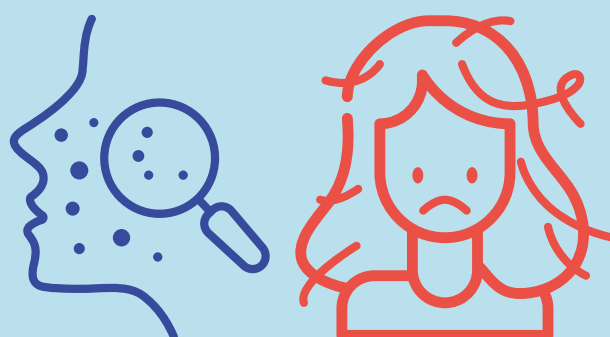
PREVENTION



- Tell your family about the risk of getting ringworm from people or animals
- Wash your hands often, and with soap
- Wear shoes in public places
- Change socks and underwear daily
- Don't share things like towels, hairbrushes or clothing with other people

WHAT HAPPENS IF IT'S NOT TREATED?

- Hair loss and scarring
- Nail deformities
- Dark marks on skin
- Secondary infections from other germs



RINGWORM FROM ANIMALS

- People are most likely to get ringworm from pets like cats or dogs.
- Ringworm can also live on objects like clothing or brushes
- You can get ringworm by touching an infected animal, or by touching objects or surfaces that an infected animal has touched or rubbed against

