## HOW TO PREVENT THE PORK TAPEWORM?

A neglected parasitic infection caused by Taenia solium







Medicines from health facilities can treat tapeworm infection.



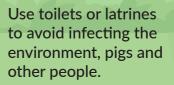
Wash your hands with soap and water after using the toilet.



Rinse vegetables thoroughly or cook them before eating.



The eggs of the tapeworm are released with faeces. If defecating outdoors, the environment (including vegetables and water) can be contaminated.





Keep pigs in pens to avoid them getting infected.

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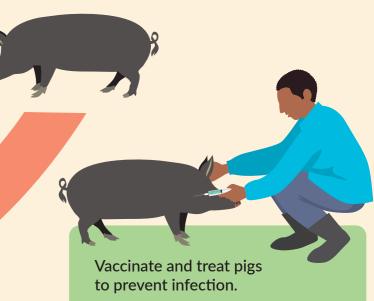
**Taeniasis** The tapeworms live in the intestines of humans.



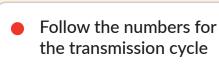
Human cysticercosis Swallowing tapeworm eggs (due to bad hygiene after using the toilet or consuming contaminated food or water), will result in parasite cysts developing mainly in the brain (causing seizures and epilepsy).

Pig cysticercosis Pigs

eating tapeworm eggs (present in faeces or the environment) will develop parasite cysts, mainly in the muscles (meat).



Infected meat will contain parasite cysts, which are not always easy to see.



 See the prevention and control measures in green

Eating undercooked or

developing tapeworms.

raw infected pork will

result in people



Cook pork thoroughly (no pink should be seen) to kill the parasite.





Meat inspection can identify heavily infected pigs.



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