

# HEPATITIS C INTERVENTION SYMPOSIUM

## SEPTEMBER 29 2023 | TORONTO, CANADA



Time	Session	Format & topics	Speakers
1:30 PM	Welcome and introductions	<b>Presentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome and housekeeping</li> <li>Overview of program and objectives</li> </ul>	Nikitah Habraken INHSU
1:40 PM	<b>Session 1: Introduction</b> Introduction to interventions that enhance the HCV care cascade	<b>Presentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roadmaps to HCV elimination in Canada</li> <li>Best practice examples of HCV interventions and models of care</li> <li>Interventions to enhance the cascade of care - Dried Blood Spot Testing, Point-of-Care RNA Testing, Point-of-Care Antibody Testing, Care Navigation, Peer Support</li> </ul>	Mia Biondi Assistant Professor, York University NP Researcher, Viral Hepatitis Care Network Core Planning Group Member, Ontario Hepatitis C Elimination Roadmap  Kate Harland Vice President, Harm Reduction Nurses Association
2:25 PM	<b>BREAK - 15 MINS</b>		
2:40 PM	<b>Session 2: Round Robin</b> Interactive discussions and practical demonstrations	<b>Expert-led small group discussions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roundtable set-up with 5 x stations</li> <li>Participants break into small groups that rotate through each station (~15 mins at each station)</li> <li>Sharing of practical, evidence-based strategies to implement or scaling up interventions to enhance testing, linkage to care and treatment for hepatitis C</li> <li>Challenges and enablers in different settings - lessons learnt from real-world experience</li> <li>Includes practical demonstrations</li> </ul>	<b>Station 1: Point of Care Ab and RNA Testing for Hepatitis C</b> Tamara Barnett, Hepatitis C Treatment Coordinator, Cool Aid Community Health Centre, BC  <b>Station 2: Dried Blood Spot Testing for Hepatitis C in Prisons</b> Cheryl Dale, Nurse Practitioner and Adjunct Clinical Professor, Western University, ON & Deborah Garant, Hepatitis C Nurse, McKesson Canada, ON  <b>Station 3: Peer Support for Hepatitis C</b> Katie Connolly, Health Promoter Hepatitis C, South Riverdale Community Health Centre, ON & Doug Belanger, Community Health Worker, Toronto Community Hep C Program, ON  <b>Station 4: Regional and Remote Nurse Led Model of Care for Hepatitis C</b> Keri McGuire-Trahan, Nurse Practitioner, AIDS Committee of North Bay and Area  <b>Station 5: Indigenous-Led or Co-Designed Interventions for Hepatitis C</b> Kate Dunn, Post-Doc Fellow, University Health Network, AB

4:15 PM		BREAK - 30 MINS	
4:45 PM	<b>Session 3: Practical Support</b> Practical Support	<p><b>Expert-led small group discussions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hypothetical case study exercise</li> <li>Participants choose an intervention</li> <li>Facilitators guide the group discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building a business case and getting buy in from management</li> <li>Troubleshooting any existing or anticipated barriers to implementing the intervention in your service</li> <li>Evaluating the intervention</li> </ul> </li> <li>Key takeaways/reflections/report back</li> </ul>	<p><b>Introduction</b> Nikitah Habraken</p> <p><b>Reflections &amp; Report Back</b> Mia Biondi &amp; Kate Harland</p> <p><b>Small Group Facilitators</b></p> <p><i>Group 1: Point of Care Ab and RNA Testing for Hepatitis C</i> Tamara Barnett</p> <p><i>Group 2: Dried Blood Spot Testing for Hepatitis C</i> Cheryl Dale &amp; Deborah Garant</p> <p><i>Group 3: Peer Support for Hepatitis C</i> Katie Connolly &amp; Doug Belanger</p> <p><i>Group 4: Regional and Remote Telehealth Nurse Led Model of Care for Hepatitis C</i> Keri McGuire-Trahan</p> <p><i>Group 5: Indigenous-Led or Co-Designed Interventions for Hepatitis C</i> Kate Dunn</p>
5:30 PM	<b>Further resources</b>	<p><b>Presentation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resources to support you</li> </ul>	Chris Hoy, Manager, Hepatitis C Community Programming, CATIE
5:40 PM	<b>Wrap up and close:</b> Where to from here?	<p><b>Presentation</b></p> <p>Next steps and evaluation forms</p>	Nikitah Habraken, INHSU
<p><b>WORKSHOP CLOSE - 5:45 PM</b> <b>NETWORKING DRINKS - 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM</b></p>			

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