

HEPATITIS C IN PRIMARY CARE AND DRUG AND ALCOHOL SETTINGS

Join us for this free online training to support your role in eliminating hepatitis C!

People who inject drugs (PWID) represent approximately 90% of newly acquired hepatitis C (HCV) infections. Clinicians working with PWID play an important role in reducing HCV-related morbidity and mortality through early diagnosis and treatment. With the advent of well-tolerated, short-course direct acting antiviral (DAA) HCV regimens with cure rates >95%, there is an opportunity to vastly improve the health outcomes of people living with HCV.

This course is designed for pharmacists and staff at community-based organisations participating in the LiveRx Education Program and other clinical staff working with people who inject drugs. Through self-directed online learning and an interactive online workshop, delivered by local experts, participants will gain the skills to confidently manage hepatitis C in their setting.

At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Describe the risk factors for HCV infection enabling effective screening and prevention education
- Demonstrate competence conducting and interpreting tests to diagnose HCV
- Recognise risk factors, clinical signs, symptoms and complications of liver disease
- Demonstrate understanding of Direct Acting Antiviral (DAA) therapy for the treatment of HCV and competence in selecting appropriate therapy
- Describe recommended on-treatment monitoring and post-treatment follow up protocols

This workshop has been adapted by the LiveRx research leadership team in collaboration with the International Network on Health and Hepatitis in Substance Users (INHSU) & the Australasian Society for HIV, Viral Hepatitis and Sexual Health Medicine (ASHM).



With acknowledgement of our endorsing partners:

Date: Tuesday, 25 October 2022

Time: 6.00pm - 9.00pm (MDT)

Location: Online via Zoom

Cost: The course is free. Places are limited - registration is essential.

Facilitators:

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Registration link: <https://bit.ly/3R8eJY1>

Register before: Thursday, 20 October 2022

More information: For further details please contact education@ashm.org.au