

# 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).*



**Date:** Saturday, 3 December 2022

**Time:** 9.00am - 12.00pm (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/3RoWu0b>

**Register before:** Wednesday, 30 November 2022

**More information:** For further details please contact [education@ashm.org.au](mailto:education@ashm.org.au)

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