

HEPATITIS C INTERVENTION SYMPOSIUM

NOVEMBER 22, 2023 | VANCOUVER, CANADA



Time	Session	Format & topics	Speakers
1:00 PM	Welcome and introductions	Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and housekeeping Overview of program and objectives 	Nikitah Habraken Director of Programs and Partnerships INHSU
1:10 PM	Introduction to Roadmaps to HCV Elimination in Canada	Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to the BC Roadmap to HCV Elimination Consultation process and how to get involved 	Joel Harnest Community Engagement Specialist BC Hep Network
1:20 PM	Introduction to interventions that enhance the HCV care cascade	Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to interventions for HCV Global good practice examples of interventions for HCV 	Ed Tam Pacific Gastroenterology Associates Vancouver BC
2:10 PM	BREAK		
2:30 PM	Film screening	Film screening In this INHSU Connecting with Care film, we go behind the scenes at Cool Aid Community Health Centre in Victoria, BC. Cool Aid's approach to health care and hepatitis C treatment is built on the organisation's broader commitment to providing support and care to people who are impacted by poverty, substance use, homelessness, and mental health.	Kellie Guarasci Clinical Nurse Lead Cool Aid Community Health Centre Victoria BC
2:40 PM	Interactive discussions and practical demonstrations	Round Robin: Expert-led small group discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roundtable set-up with 4 x stations Participants break into 4 x groups Facilitators rotate through each station (~15 mins at each station) Sharing of practical, evidence-based strategies to implement or scaling up interventions to enhance testing, linkage to care and treatment for hepatitis C Challenges and enablers in different settings - lessons learnt from real-world experience 	Station 1: Dried Blood Spot Testing for Hepatitis C Sofia Bartlett, Senior Scientist, BC Centre for Disease Control Vancouver BC Station 2: Point of Care Ab and RNA Testing for Hepatitis C Pam Ford, Hepatitis Nursing Manager, Omega Specialty Nursing Regina SK Station 3: Telehealth Interventions for Hepatitis C Ed Tam, Pacific Gastroenterology Associates Vancouver BC Station 4: Nurse-Led Interventions for Hepatitis C in Corrections Kellie Guarasci, Clinical Nurse Lead, Cool Aid Community Health Centre Victoria BC

3:40 PM		BREAK	
4:00 PM	Practical Support	<p>Expert-led small group discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participants choose one of the interventions from the round robin session • Facilitators guide the group discussion on how to implement the intervention in your own service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Building a business case and getting buy in from management ◦ Troubleshooting any existing or anticipated barriers to implementing the intervention in your service ◦ Evaluating the intervention • Key takeaways/reflections/report back 	<p>Station 1: Dried Blood Spot Testing for Hepatitis C Sofia Bartlett, Senior Scientist, BC Centre for Disease Control Vancouver BC</p> <p>Station 2: Point of Care Ab and RNA Testing for Hepatitis C Pam Ford, Hepatitis Nursing Manager, Omega Specialty Nursing Regina SK</p> <p>Station 3: Telehealth Interventions for Hepatitis C Ed Tam, Pacific Gastroenterology Associates Vancouver BC</p> <p>Station 4: Nurse-Led Interventions for Hepatitis C in Corrections Kellie Guarasci, Clinical Nurse Lead, Cool Aid Community Health Centre Victoria BC</p>
4:45 PM	Further resources	<p>Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resources to support you 	Rivka Kushner Manager, Hepatitis C Knowledge Mobilization, CATIE
4:55 PM	Wrap up and close	Next steps and participant evaluations	Nikitah Habraken Director of Programs and Partnerships INHSU
WORKSHOP CLOSE - 5:00 PM			

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