

Micro-Elimination Approach: Eliminating Hepatitis C in New York State

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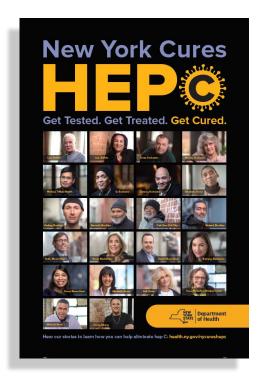
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What is NYS Doing to Eliminate Hepatitis C?



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Expanding prevention, screening, care and treatment



- HCV Patient Navigation program
- Innovative Models of Care for PWID with HCV
- HCV Expansion of the Criminal Justice Initiative
- Surveillance infrastructure
- Expansion of HCV Testing
- Multi-media awareness campaign
- HCV Research



NYS Plan to Eliminate Hepatitis C

NYS Hepatitis C Elimination Task Force

- 28 appointed taskforce members and 100+ workgroup members
- Identify key populations, infrastructure needs and emerging needs
- Develop and prioritize recommendations

46 Recommendations on:

- HCV prevention;
- HCV testing & linkage to care;
- HCV care & treatment;
- Surveillance, data & metrics;
- Social determinants of health



Priority Populations and Settings Identified by the Hepatitis C Elimination Task Force

Populations

Settings

People who use drugs

Currently or formerly involved in the justice system

Baby boomers

Homeless, or at risk of becoming homeless

HIV+ individuals (including HIV/HCV coinfection)

Correctional facilities, including jails, courthouses, prisons

Harm reduction programs (including syringe exchange, peer facilitated, and other)

Drug/Substance Treatment Program sites (including opioid substitution therapy, buprenorphine, and methadone)

Primary and Routine Healthcare Offices, Community Health Providers, and FQHC

Settings serving the homeless



NYS HCV Elimination Targets

- 90% reduction in total viremic (RNA) prevalence
- 80% reduction in new infections
- 65% reduction in liver-related mortality
- 90% diagnosis of viremic infections
- 80% of diagnosed patients initiated on treatment





NYS HCV Elimination Targets

Target	2015	2030 Target
Prevalent (Viremic) Infections	116,000 – 189,000	10,400-14,400
• 90% reduction from 2015		

In order to get here, we must.....



NYS HCV Elimination Targets

Target	Cumulative outcomes, 2020-2030
Screened for HCV (in millions)	10.0 – 10.6
Newly Diagnosed	33,200 – 75,000
Treated	75,600 – 143,000
New Infections	37,100 – 46,400
Liver Related Deaths	2,900 – 9,100

Among People who Inject Drugs, Targets Needed to Reach Elimination

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	2017	2030
Percent engaged in harm reduction	54% – 56%	87%
Percent with HCV RNA treated	3% – 4%	24%



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What is HCV Micro-elimination?

- Break down elimination goals into smaller goals for individual population segments.
- Treatment and prevention interventions can be delivered more quickly and efficiently using targeted methods.



What does a Micro-Elimination involve?

- A plan for how to tailor resources and services to overcome known barriers to achieve high levels of HCV diagnosis and treatment in a defined population within a specific time frame
- A multi-stakeholder process is used to develop and implement the plan.
- Progress and outcomes are monitored and reported.



Candidate Populations for HCV Micro-elimination

- Patients with advanced liver disease
- People living with HIV and HCV coinfection
- Hemophilia patients
- Incarcerated
- Children
- Patients engaged with drug treatment
- Migrant communities from high prevalence regions
- People who inject drugs in networks
- Men who have sex with men
- Generational cohorts of high prevalence (baby boomers)
- Geographically defined areas



Leverage the Existing to Support Micro-elimination of HIV/HCV-coinfected

- All persons living with HIV should be tested for HCV at baseline.
- All patients with HIV who test seronegative for HCV, but have continued high-risk behaviors should be screened at least annually for HCV, including:
 - o People who inject drugs,
 - Men who have sex with men without barrier protection; or
 - Anyone with multiple sexual partners
- HCV testing should be performed on all pregnant individuals.
- All persons chronically infected with HCV should be treated



What more can we do to eliminate hepatitis C among people with HIV in NYS?







- What barriers do people with HIV experience:
 - Accessing HCV testing services
 - Accessing HCV treatment
 - Accessing HCV prevention services





- What opportunities can improve HCV treatment and prevention for people with HIV?
 - When do you screen for HCV? Is reflex testing used?
 - How do you treat HCV? Onsite? Through an MOU with an HCV provider?
 - How do you track patients screening? Treatment?
 - How do you address risk for HCV or reinfection?



Thank you



https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/hepatitis/hepatitis c/elimination.htm

