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Hepatitis C Treatment for
Primary Care Providers Conference
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Hepatitis C: A Chronic Disease You Can Cure

Why Are We Here Today?

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Improving the Continuum of Care

CDC Recommendations for HCV Screening

- All born 1945-65 (1-time if no other risk factors)
- HIV-infected
- Ever self-injected drugs
- Received a blood transfusion or organ transplant before July 1992
- Received clotting factor concentrates before 1987
- Ever on chronic hemodialysis
- Follow-up to any needlestick or to mucosal exposure to HCV + blood
- Born to HCV + woman
- Persistent abnormal ALT

*MMWR* 2012;61(RR-4)
Epidemiologic Trends in HCV: Newly Reported Confirmed HCV, Massachusetts, 2002 and 2011

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Figure 4.2. Incidence of acute hepatitis C, by age group — United States, 2000–2015

~70% of new HCV infections occur in PWID

Source: CDC, National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS)
Rates of HCV *Diagnoses* in Alaska by Age, 2011-2015
• 2.6% of population aged ≥13 years → 6,612,488
  – 0.3% (774,434) injected during the past year

• HCV infection rate among persons aged 40-65 years with lifetime use: 43%

Drivers of Changes in Life Expectancy, US, From 2000 to 2015

12 Leading causes of death (ranked highest to lowest according to No. of deaths in year 2015)

- Diseases of the heart
- Malignant neoplasms
- Chronic lower respiratory diseases
- Unintentional injuries
- Cerebrovascular diseases
- Alzheimer disease
- Diabetes mellitus
- Influenza and pneumonia
- Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis
- Suicide
- Septicemia
- Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis
- Drug, opioid, and alcohol poisoning deaths
- Drug poisoning
- Opioid-involved poisoning
- Alcohol poisoning

HCV Treatment During MAT and Active Drug Misuse

- 301 treatment-naïve patients with HCV genotypes 1, 4, or 6 and receiving opioid agonist therapy
- Patients actively misusing drugs not excluded
- Received elbasvir/grazoprevir (Zepatier®) for 12 weeks (randomized to immediate or delayed Rx)
- SVR12: 89.5% to 91.5%
- Adherence (>95% of doses taken): >95%
- At 24 weeks: 6(2.2%) had evidence reinfection — 3 of these spontaneously cleared

HCV Treatment During Active Drug Misuse

• Open-label phase 4 study (SIMPLIFY)
• 103 participants
  – 9 with cirrhosis
  – 36 GT-1, 5 GT-2, 50 GT-3, 2 GT-4
  – 76 injected in past month, 27 at least daily
• Sofosbuvir/velpatasvir (Epclusa®) daily for 12 weeks
• 100 completed treatment; 97 achieve SVR12

“....no data to support the utility of pretreatment screening for illicit drug or alcohol use in identifying a population more likely to successfully complete HCV therapy. These requirements should be abandoned because they create barriers to treatment, add unnecessary cost and effort, and potentially exclude populations that are likely to obtain substantial benefit from therapy. Scaling up HCV treatment in persons who inject drugs is necessary to positively impact the HCV epidemic in the US and globally.”

https://www.hcvguidelines.org/
Glecaprevir/Pibrentasvir (Mayvret®): Preferred Drug in Alaska Medicaid