Did you know…

• Since 1 March 2016, over 50,000 people in Australia have initiated treatment for chronic hepatitis C.
• New oral direct-acting antivirals (DAAs) offer cure rates greater than 95%, short treatment duration and reduced toxicity.
• All General Practitioners can prescribe these DAAs on the General Schedule with specialist approval if needed.
• New regimens effective across all genotypes are simplifying treatment even further.
• Eradication of hepatitis C in Australia by 2030 will require increasing treatment uptake and increasing involvement by GPs.
• An estimated 19% Australians living with chronic HCV have not been diagnosed yet- are you testing all people at risk of HCV infection?

This update will focus on case finding, testing, patient assessment and treatment of hepatitis C infection in primary care settings. Local resources, pathways and available support will also be discussed.

After attending this course, you will be able to:

- Identify priority populations for hepatitis C testing
- Interpret test results and diagnose hepatitis C appropriately
- Assess for liver fibrosis and other co-morbidities
- Explain which patients can be managed in primary care and those requiring specialist referral
- Initiate treatment, monitor and follow-up according to the recommended guidelines

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