

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:

- Multicultural HIV and Hepatitis Service (multilingual information): www.mhahs.org.au
- Hepatitis NSW (English only): www.hep.org.au
- Hepatitis C website (English only): www.hepC.org.au

HEPATITIS C TESTING

Ask your doctor for a hepatitis C test. To find a doctor near you, go to: <https://www.hep.org.au/nsw-directory/>

If you want to speak to a service in your language call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS): 131 450 (cost of a local call). Ask for an interpreter and when the interpreter comes on the line, ask to call the phone number you want. You will then be able to speak in your language via the interpreter.



GET TESTED.

PREVENT

TEST

HEPATITIS C

CURE

LIVE FREE OF
HEPATITIS C

PREVENT

Hepatitis C is a liver infection caused by the hepatitis C virus. It can lead to liver damage or liver cancer.

Hepatitis C is common in our communities. Many people who have the virus don't know they have it because it can take many years for symptoms to appear.

CURE

New treatments are available to cure hepatitis C. They are effective, easy to take tablets and have few side effects. The new treatments have a 90-95% chance of curing hepatitis C. Treatment takes 8-24 weeks and is recommended for all people living with hepatitis C.

Your doctor will explain which treatment is best for you and how long you will have to take it.

TEST

The only way to know if you have hepatitis C is by getting a blood test. You should get a hepatitis C test if you:

- Have had a blood transfusion, vaccination, surgery or other medical or dental procedure in another country, and you are not sure if it was sterile.
- Have had a traditional medical practice and you are not sure if it was sterile for example, cutting, cupping or coining.
- Have injected drugs or steroids, or have ever shared injecting equipment.
- Have ever been in prison and injected drugs, including steroids, had a tattoo, shared injecting equipment, or shared a razor or toothbrush.
- Are not sure if your tattoo or body piercing was done with sterile equipment.
- Had a blood transfusion in Australia before February 1990.

Ask your doctor to get a test and find out if you have hepatitis C.