

**ONLINE COURSE PROGRAM – Hepatitis C for Nurse Practitioners  
29 April & 06 May 2021 | DELIVERED ONLINE**

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## **This Program is conducted in 3 parts:**

**Part 1: Pre-course survey and eLearning Activity - Hepatitis C in Primary Care and Drug and Alcohol Settings** - estimated time 1.5 hours.

**Part 2: Face-to-face Workshop** – .0 hours, excluding breaks.

**Part 3: Reinforcing activity** – estimated time 0.5 hours.

### **Learning outcomes:**

- Describe the risk factors for HCV infection, enabling effective screening and prevention education
- Demonstrate competence conducting and interpreting tests to diagnose HCV
- Recognise risk factors, clinical signs, symptoms and complications of liver disease
- Demonstrate understanding of DAA therapy for the treatment of HCV and competence in selecting appropriate therapy
- Describe recommended on-treatment monitoring and post-treatment follow up protocols

### **Program accreditation:**

This course is pending endorsement by the ACNP for 5 CPD hours, including completion of pre- and post-course activities. Certificates will be issued after completion of the online learning modules and attendance of the face-to-face workshop.

### **Part 1: Pre-Course Survey and Online modules**

#### **Participants should:**

1. **Familiarise yourself with the [course LMS page](#).** This acts as a hub page for the course, outlining course requirements, and linking out to all relevant course information, surveys, Zoom links, and the reinforcing activity.
  - LMS link: <https://lms.ashm.org.au/course/view.php?id=1288>
  - Enrolment key/password to access: HCV-NP
2. **Once on the [LMS page](#), complete steps 1-2 prior to attending the course.** You can access all links via this course page, however direct links are also provided below, for your convenience.
  - i. Complete a short online survey to gauge baseline knowledge and confidence in hepatitis C management and care. Complete before completing the online modules: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HCVforNPsPre>
  - ii. Download and view the [Decision making in hepatitis C tool](#)
  - iii. Complete the **online modules** prior to attending the facilitated training. These should take approximately 1.5 hours to complete. They can be accessed for free at <https://lms.ashm.org.au/course/view.php?id=1124>

### **Part 2: Facilitated training**

The facilitated component will be comprised of 2x 2-hour interactive online training sessions on Zoom consisting of presentations, quizzes, and group discussions.

The webinar sessions will be run on:

- Thursday 29 April, 7:00pm-9:00pm (AEST)
- Thursday 06 May, 7:00pm-9:05pm (AEST)

**Week 1: Thursday 29 April, 7:00pm-9:00pm (AEST)**

Time and duration	Session	Content Overview	Activities	Presenter
(10 minutes)	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Who's on the webinar?</li> <li>Introduction to course components</li> <li>Program overview – for each session</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>PowerPoint Presentation</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Course facilitator:</b> <b>Jason Harrison</b> Nurse Practitioner, Alcohol &amp; Other Drug Service Central Queensland Mental Health, Alcohol &amp; Other Drug Service</p> <p>and</p> <p><b>Phoebe Schroder</b> Project Manager, ASHM</p>
(15 minutes)	<b>The Lived Experience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What living with hepatitis C really means</li> <li>Experiences of treatment</li> <li>How to engage your clients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Discussion</i></li> <li><i>Video/ PowerPoint</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Jason Harrison</b></p> <p>and</p> <p><b>Esha Leyden</b> Peer Harm Reduction Worker, Queensland Injectors Health Network (QuIHN)</p>
(30 minutes)	<b>Recap of Hepatitis C (based on pre learning activity Hepatitis C in Primary Care and Drug and Alcohol Settings OLM)</b>  <b>Part 1 of 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Epidemiology of hepatitis C</li> <li>Why treat hepatitis C?</li> <li>Testing for hepatitis C infection</li> <li>Hepatitis C related liver disease staging and pre-treatment assessments</li> <li>Treatment options</li> <li>Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>PowerPoint Presentation</i></li> <li><i>Zoom Polling Interactive Quiz</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Jana Van der Jagt</b> Hepatology Nurse Practitioner, Mid North Coast Local Health District</p>

(20 minutes)	<b>Recap of Hepatitis C (based on pre learning activity Hepatitis C in Primary Care and Drug and Alcohol Settings OLM)</b>  <i>Part 2 of 2</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Epidemiology of hepatitis C</li> <li>• Why treat hepatitis C?</li> <li>• Testing for hepatitis C infection</li> <li>• Hepatitis C related liver disease staging and pre-treatment assessments</li> <li>• Treatment options</li> <li>• Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>PowerPoint Presentation</i></li> <li>• <i>Zoom Polling Interactive Quiz</i></li> </ul>	<b>Jana Van der Jagt</b>
10 mins	<b>Questions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Questions from the audience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Discussion</i></li> </ul>	<b>Jana Van der Jagt</b> Hepatology Nurse Practitioner, Mid North Coast Local Health District
(20 minutes)	<b>Enhancing HCV Testing, Linkage to Care, and Treatment in your Service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interventions to enhance the HCV care cascade</li> <li>• COVID-19 implications- access to harm reduction and wider services</li> <li>• Practicalities of prescribing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>PowerPoint Presentation/ video</i></li> </ul>	<b>To be confirmed</b>
5 mins	<b>Close</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chance for questions</li> <li>• Preview next week's agenda</li> </ul>		<b>Jason Harrison</b>

**Week 2: Thursday 06 May, 7:00pm-9:05pm (AEST)**

Time and duration	Session	Content Overview	Activities	Presenter
10 mins	<b>Welcome and introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program overview – for each session</li> <li>• Questions from last week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Group discussion</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Course facilitator: Jason Harrison</b></p>
(35 minutes)	<b>Interactive Case study discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of 1 x longer format case study</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Split group case studies and larger group discussion</i></li> <li>• <i>PowerPoint Presentation</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Jason Harrison</b> Nurse Practitioner, Alcohol &amp; Other Drug Service Central Queensland Mental Health, Alcohol &amp; Other Drug Service</p> <p><b>Jana Van der Jagt</b> Hepatology Nurse Practitioner, Mid North Coast Local Health District</p> <p><b>Chris Wallis</b> Nurse Practitioner, West Moreton Hospital and Health Service</p>
10 mins	<b>BREAK</b>			
(25 minutes)	<b>Interactive Case study discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key issues/themes to emerge from homework</li> <li>• Short case study</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Split group case studies and larger group discussion</i></li> <li>• <i>PowerPoint Presentation</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Jason Harrison</b></p> <p><b>Jana Van der Jagt</b></p> <p><b>Chris Wallis</b></p>

(25 minutes)	<b>Practice Mapping Exercise</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interactive group discussion around practical strategies to enhance testing, linkage to care and treatment             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Barriers (patient and service level)</li> <li>Practical strategies to employ</li> <li>Advocating in your service</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Split group case studies</i></li> <li><i>PowerPoint Presentation</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Jason Harrison</b></p> <p><b>Jana Van der Jagt</b></p> <p><b>Chris Wallis</b></p>
(15 minutes)	<b>Report back</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group Feedback from Practice Mapping Exercise</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>PowerPoint Presentation (use of annotate feature)</i></li> </ul>	<b>Chris Wallis</b>
(5 minutes)	<b>Wrap up, reinforcing activity and evaluation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outline reinforcing activity (x2 case studies)</li> <li>Available support and resources, where to go for further information</li> <li>Hepatitis C Community of Practice</li> <li>Completion of course evaluation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>PowerPoint Presentation</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Jason Harrison</b></p> <p>and</p> <p><b>Phoebe Schroder</b></p>

### Part 3: Reinforcing Activity & Capacity Strengthening Toolkit

**Participants should complete two case studies following the course, ‘Casey’ and ‘Paul’.** Participants are provided with the patient history and questions to answer covering the various stages of the patient’s journey - including risk factors, pre-treatment assessment, testing for HCV, treatment options and post treatment follow up.

**The capacity strengthening toolkit will** be provided at the close of the workshop and is intended to provide participants with practical tools with which to implement HCV testing and treatment processes in their setting. Although some resources will be applicable only for participants working within the local area of workshop delivery, many, such as DAA treatment regimen quick reference guides, management procedure templates and assessment checklists, will be relevant regardless of practice location