# Hepatitis C Virus Recommendation Checklist

Clinicians & Pharmacists-Level 3



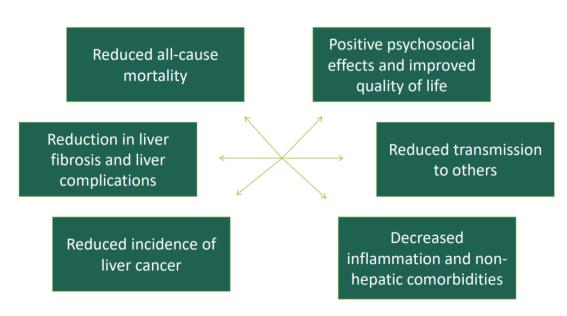
# The current state of the issue

The number of acute HCV cases has been steadily increasing in the United States between 2012-2019, with an estimated 133% increase in acute cases reported in 2019 compared to 2012. While the cure cascade for HCV is well-defined, disparities in testing and treatment prevent many patients from accessing treatment. The greatest gap occurs between diagnosis and treatment. In Washington, only an estimated 12% of patients with diagnosed HCV infections start direct-acting antiviral treatment. Together, we can support the screening and treatment of individuals with HCV to reach our goal of eliminating Hepatitis C in Washington State by 2030.

## Strengthen the capacity to treat and cure individuals

- Provide HCV services outside of traditional clinical settings where persons with HCV are seen, including syringe service programs, opioid use disorder/substance use disorder treatment centers, and community centers in underserved areas.
- Pilot pharmacist-led HCV treatment clinics.

# **Benefits of Eliminating HCV**



#### Resources

- The Bree Report on HCV is meant to supplement these resources.
- Full Bree Report on HCV: <a href="https://www.qualityhealth.org/bree/topic-areas/hep-c/">https://www.qualityhealth.org/bree/topic-areas/hep-c/</a>
- AASLD/IDSA: <a href="https://www.hcvguidelines.org/">https://www.hcvguidelines.org/</a>
- Hep C Free Washington (DOH): <a href="https://doh.wa.gov/you-and-your-family/illness-and-disease-z/hepatitis-information/hepatitis-c/eliminating-hepatitis-c\_deliminating
- Hep C Free Washington (HCA): <a href="https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/programs-and-initiatives/clinical-collaboration-and-initiatives/eliminating-hepatitis-c">https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/programs-and-initiatives/clinical-collaboration-and-initiatives/eliminating-hepatitis-c</a>
- Project ECHO Viral Hepatitis: for UW, contact Pam Landinez at landinez@uw.edu
- UW HCV Training: <a href="https://www.hepatitisc.uw.edu/">https://www.hepatitisc.uw.edu/</a>
- CDC Hepatitis C Virus: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/hcv/index.htm">https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/hcv/index.htm</a>
- Hepatitis C Medical Case Management Toolkit: Creating and Expanding Services: <a href="https://hepeducation.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/HEP\_MCM\_Toolkit.pdf">https://hepeducation.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/HEP\_MCM\_Toolkit.pdf</a>

## Read the full Bree Report on HCV online by scanning the QR code:



## Connect with the Bree Collaborative at bree@qualityhealth.org

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https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/statistics/2019surveillance/Figure3.1.htm. 2. Hep C Free Washington. 2019. Plan to Eliminate Hepatitis C in Washington State by 2030. Washington Department of Health. https://doh.wa.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/Documents/Pubs/150nonDOH-HepCFreeWA