

What Can Public Health Professionals Do to Help Reduce Viral Hepatitis-Related Liver Cancer?



Here are some essential interventions public health professionals can implement that will address the burden of viral hepatitis, as presented in the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine’s [“A National Strategy for the Elimination of Hepatitis B and C: Phase Two Report.”](#)

Dot down notes of activities you or your organization could implement and partners that could help with your efforts.



Hepatitis B Virus



Hepatitis C Virus



1. Improve Access to HBV Vaccination



Work with partners to expand access to free vaccinations in pharmacies and other easily accessible settings including HIV and STD clinics and community health centers

I/my organization will... *What, when, how*

I/my organization will collaborate with... *List potential organizations and partners*



2. Increase Knowledge and Awareness of Viral Hepatitis in the Community



Promote tools such as CDC’s Viral Hepatitis Risk Assessment to the community

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



3. Increase Knowledge and Awareness of Viral Hepatitis Among Health Care Providers



Engage, train, and educate health care providers and systems to prevent, detect, and treat viral hepatitis

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



Promote health care professional resources such as HBV and HCV clinical guidelines factsheets

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



4. Improve Delivery of Viral Hepatitis Services



Support and coordinate with community research efforts, such as those that serve key populations, aim to alleviate stigma, or promote health among incarcerated populations

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



Work with public and private health plans to lift restrictions and lower costs of treatment therapies

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



Collaborate with local, state, and federal corrections departments to reach incarcerated populations who are at increased risk for viral hepatitis. Promote viral hepatitis screening, management, and treatment guidelines, and develop referral systems to support and physical and mental health programs in correctional facilities

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



Promote guidelines for viral hepatitis screening, management, and treatment among pregnant women to prevent mother-to-child transmission

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



Promote comprehensive harm reduction strategies and services that address underlying substance use disorders, such as prevention and treatment services, referrals to opioid agonist therapy, counseling, testing, and/or viral hepatitis treatment

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



5. Conduct Disease Surveillance



Use National Notifiable Disease Surveillance System data to identify trends, inform patterns of access to care, and describe the burden of viral hepatitis in the community

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...



Support state-level collection of HBV and HCV infection data in the Viral Hepatitis Surveillance Program so additional data are available for program planning

I/my organization will...

I/my organization will collaborate with...

Other Notes

For additional resources and technical assistance please visit www.CancerControlTAP.org or Contact: cancercontrol@gwu.edu.

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