



# Hepatitis C in Drug and Alcohol Settings Education Program

Supporting the HIV, Viral Hepatitis and Sexual Health Workforce

Date **Saturday, 12 August 2017**  
Venue **Dooleys Lidcombe Catholic Club, 24/28 John St, Lidcombe NSW 2141**  
Time **08:30am to 5.00pm**

People who inject drugs represent approximately 90% of newly acquired hepatitis C infections. Clinicians in drug and alcohol settings play an important role in improving the health outcomes of people living with hepatitis C and can reduce a patient's risk of developing advanced liver disease through early diagnosis, appropriate management of co-morbidities and treatment with new, curative, Direct Acting Antiviral medication (DAAs).

This course is designed to strengthen the capacity of clinical staff working in drug and alcohol settings, or working with people who inject drugs, to effectively test for, treat and manage hepatitis C. This highly interactive course is available for GPs and other clinicians able to prescribe. The online learning and face-face workshop will give you the skills to confidently prescribe the new DAAs.

Learning outcomes:

- Describe the risk factors for HCV infection enabling effective practice screening processes and prevention education
- Demonstrate competence interpreting clinical and other relevant information to provide effective care of people living with HCV infection
- Demonstrate competence in liver disease assessment
- Demonstrate understanding of DAA therapy for the treatment of HCV and competence in selecting and prescribing appropriate therapy
- Monitor patients on treatment and post-treatment appropriately

Local experts experienced in hepatitis C treatment will facilitate the interactive workshop. We will also be welcoming a member of the community to share their experience of the new interferon-free DAA treatment.

**This course is FREE. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.**

**Travel scholarships are available for regional/rural health workers; please contact ASHM for further information**

Register at:

<http://www.ashm.org.au/courses>

Registrations Close:

Friday, 4 August 2017

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