



New York State

Hepatitis C Elimination Plan

Progress Report

2023

Hepatitis C Elimination Recommendations Met



- **Hepatitis C Care and Treatment Access:** Clinical Education Initiative Hepatitis C and Drug User Health Center of Excellence; Regional Training Centers Hepatitis C Center of Excellence.
- **Hepatitis C Prevention:** Eight Second Tier Syringe Exchange Programs and four First Tier Syringe Exchange Programs added.
- **Hepatitis C Testing and Linkage to Care:** Universal hepatitis C screening among pregnant people.
- **Hepatitis C Testing and Linkage to Care:** Universal hepatitis C screening of all adults.

Key Accomplishments by Focus Area¹



Hepatitis C Care and Treatment Access

- Hepatitis C billing guidance issued for opioid treatment programs.
- Hepatitis C telehealth collaborative with NYS Office of Mental Health.
- Funding opportunity for nurse care coordination in opioid treatment programs released.

Hepatitis C Testing and Linkage to Care

- Expansion of NYS Hepatitis C Testing law to require universal hepatitis C screening of adults and pregnant people included in State Executive Budget.

Hepatitis C Prevention

- Expansion of the number of first and second tier syringe exchange programs.
- Medication for opioid use disorder available in carceral settings.
- Test4HepC campaign launched to increase hepatitis C screening among pregnant people.

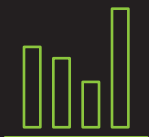
Social Determinants of Health

- Over 300 individuals in NYS prisons treated for hepatitis C.
- Hepatitis C testing launched in local jails.

Surveillance, Data, and Metrics

- New methodology developed for monitoring new hepatitis C infections among people who inject drugs.

Hepatitis C Elimination Metrics



New Hepatitis C Diagnoses²

2023³
84,331 People diagnosed between 2015 and 2023 in New York State

2030 Goal
122,100 People diagnosed between 2015 and 2030 in New York State

Hepatitis C Treatment and Clearance⁴

2023⁵
54.6% have been treated or cured

2030 Goal
80% will have been treated or cured

For more information contact the New York State Department of Health – AIDS Institute, Bureau of Hepatitis Health Care and Epidemiology at hepatabc@health.ny.gov.

¹ Information gathered from AIDS Institute programs and staff on the activities occurring from January 1 through December 31, 2023.
² People with evidence of a positive hepatitis C RNA or genotype test.
³ Mathematical modeling was used to identify high and low estimates of the number of people who need to be diagnosed between 2015 and 2030 to reach the elimination goal of diagnosing 90% of people living with hepatitis C, many of whom may not know that they are infected. The high-end estimates were 84,331 for 2023 and 122,100 for 2030.
⁴ Percent of people diagnosed with hepatitis C (evidence of a positive hepatitis C RNA or genotype test) who have been treated or cleared the virus.
⁵ Rate of acute hepatitis C in 18-40 age group is a proxy for new infections among people who inject drugs.